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**Auditors highlight W-W's challenges**

**By Sue Mason**  
Staff Writer

Wayne-Westland Community Schools continues to see a decline in its fund equity as it struggles to remain in the black financially.

According to the district auditor, Plante Moran, it finished the 2012-2013 budget year with a modest amount of money — \$5.1 million — in fund equity. The figure pales in

comparison to the \$21 million the district had saved for a rainy day in 2004.

"The issues facing the district are its dependency on the state economy, retirement and health care costs, elongated state aid payments and student enrollment," auditor Jeffrey Higgins said. "Eighty-six percent of your revenue is from foundation allowances. That funding is controlled by the whims of the Lansing. In the

last two years, you've been cut 12 percent."

Wayne-Westland received an unqualified, or clean, audit, the highest level of assurance from the auditors.

**Revenue sources**

Based on the audit report, the district used \$6.6 million of its fund balance to cover expenditures of \$105.3 million after receiving \$98.4 million in revenue. It received \$85.4 mil-

lion from the state, just \$92,900 from the federal government, and took in another \$12.9 million in other state and local revenue.

The largest portion of its expenditures was for salaries and fringe benefits which accounted for 89 percent of its spending.

"In 2004, the district paid 13 percent (of payroll) to retirement, in 2013, it's now roughly 25 percent," auditor Nathan

Troyer said. "It's another factor that is out of the control of the district."

Likewise, the state's budget year, which starts Oct. 1, means the district receives 18 percent of its school aid after the end of the fiscal year on June 30.

Like most district, Wayne-Westland has faced the challenge of declining enrollment and has worked to attract stu-

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Junior Girls President Ariel Fretter of Livonia, Senior Vice-President, Rachel Napier of Waterford and Treasurer Mackenzie Compton of Livonia package a variety of crossword puzzles, soaps, shampoos and hard candies in the care packages. PHOTOS BY TOM BEAUDOIN

**Junior Girls pack it up for troops**

**By Sue Mason**  
Staff Writer

The holidays will look a little bit brighter for U.S. Troops, thanks to care packages from the Junior Girls of the Bova VFW Post 9885 in Westland.

The girls, ages 6-13, spent several hours last week packing 17 boxes that will be shipped to soldiers whose names and addresses were provided by friends and family members. The girls do a shipment each year as part of the support of the military requirement of the Junior Girls program.

"They send boxes to anyone who has an APO or FPO address, anyone who can't be home for Christmas," said Jill Mikolajczyk, the unit leader and a treasurer of the Ladies Auxiliary which sponsors Junior Girls. "They mail them now so they get them in time for Christmas."

The girls made up fliers that were put up at posts in the district and on the District 4 website, as well as soliciting items through their schools. The girls were "highly motivated" to collect the items and to get cards and letters to put in the boxes, especially the latter. If they didn't get the cards and letters, they had to do 100 push-ups, Mikolajczyk said.

**Filled with goodies**

The boxes were filled with toiletries like toothpaste, toothbrushes, tissues, sunscreen and hand sanitizer. There also were snacks, and books filled with word searches and crossword puzzles.

Junior Girls member Ariel Fretter of Livonia

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Isabella Schrock of Plymouth loads shampoo into to the boxes for troops serving our country.

**HalloWAYNE putting out sweets on Saturday**

**By Sue Mason**  
Staff Writer

Ghouls, ghosts and goblins, as well as an assortment of super heroes and princesses will descend on Wayne for two hours of Halloween trick-or-treating.

Destination Wayne and the Wayne Chamber of Commerce will host the third annual HalloWAYNE from 5-7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26, along west-bound Michigan Avenue in the city's downtown area.

"I'm excited about the event and a bit nervous, too," said organizer Chris Sanders who is expecting to bring a record number people to downtown Wayne for the event. "We need a win for the city and HalloWAYNE fits perfectly."

For a charge of just \$1, trick-or-treaters will have the opportunity to collect goodies at 87 stations along Michigan Avenue from Second Street to

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**School board president demands apology**

**By Karen Smith**  
Staff Writer

Livonia school board President Mark Johnson asked Trustee Eileen McDonnell at Monday's school board meeting to apologize for accusing an unidentified employee of improp-

erly handling a bid, according to Johnson, but McDonnell refused to.

"Not at this time," she said, telling Johnson he needed to review the video

of the board's Oct. 7 meeting when the alleged accusation took place.

Asked by Johnson if she intended to apologize in the future, McDonnell said, "I'm not sure. At this point, I'm going to say no."

"I think it's reprehensible, Mrs. McDonnell," Johnson said.

Later in the meeting, Trustee Julie Robinson jumped to McDonnell's defense, saying it was inappropriate for Johnson to ask McDonnell to apologize during a public meeting. "I felt like you were attacking her," she said, adding it made her upset and angry. "My feeling

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## AUDIT

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dents through programs like choice at all grade levels and a talented and gifted program. The growth in charter schools also has been a challenge forcing districts to compete for

fewer students, Troyer said.

### By the calendar

The fund balance represents 4.92 percent of expenditures and is the equivalent of operating the district 17 calendar days or eight school calendar days, Troyer added.

When questioned why

other districts get more in per pupil money from the state, the auditors explained that Proposal A in 1994 was meant to "alleviate the funding equity." Residents now pay 6 mills in state education tax as opposed to the locally levied millage prior to Proposal A.

"We are one of the largest school districts in

the Michigan and our funding is in the lowest 25 percent," Trustee Charles "Trav" Griffin said. "We're getting ripped off. In spite of losing \$12 million over the last several years, we're not in deficit; we don't have an emergency manager. We're doing a pretty good job with what we have and that's a

credit to our people in finance."

Going forward, the auditors are projecting the district will finish the current budget year with a fund balance of \$2.3 million. Staying in the black is due in big part to the district's employees that took pay cuts, pay freezes and increased contributions for their

health care to save the district some \$14 million.

"The employees stepped up and took the bullet so we could stay in the economic position we're in," school board President Carol Middel said.

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## EVENT

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Elizabeth Street. More than 100 businesses along the thoroughfare and businesses outside the area like American Jetway, Jack Demmer Ford and Mark Chevrolet will have stations to distribute treats.

### Plenty of sweets

Phoenix Theaters, which is a primary sponsor along with March Chevrolet and the Wayne exchange, is providing 20,000 pieces of candy, and the Greater Dreams Church will have a trunk or treat as part of the event.

"There will be tons of candy, kids will have sugar highs for months to come," Sanders said.

The event starts at Veterans Plaza on Wayne Road, south of westbound Michigan Avenue and ends at the PNC Bank on Michigan west of Wayne Road.

New to the event is a pumpkin carving contest. Participants can submit a carved pumpkin for judging and the opportunity to win \$1,000. A panel of judges will select the winning pumpkin based on overall creativity.

The pumpkin must be carved at home and a candle or mechanical device must be able to shine through the design, Sanders said. They must be turned in between 10 a.m. and noon for judging.

Sanders is hoping to get 100 entries.

"The reason we're charging \$1 is to build

the event," he said. "I'd like to bring in a professional pumpkin sculptor to the event. I believe if we get the right players involved we can turn the pumpkin carving event into something like the Plymouth ice festival. It won't be overnight."

### Hopes for a crowd

Destination Wayne has promoted the event through mailers sent to every home in the city and with fliers distributed at Wayne-Westland and Garden City schools. Sanders estimates 5,000-6,000 people were at last year's event and hopes to have 10,000 this year.

"I've been watching the extended forecasts, rain could put a little bit of a damper on things," he said.

To help make it a success, Sanders is looking for about 40 volunteers to help man the candy stations from 4:30-7 p.m. to pass out candy. The pay will be pizza, provided by Vizzy's Pizza, after the event.

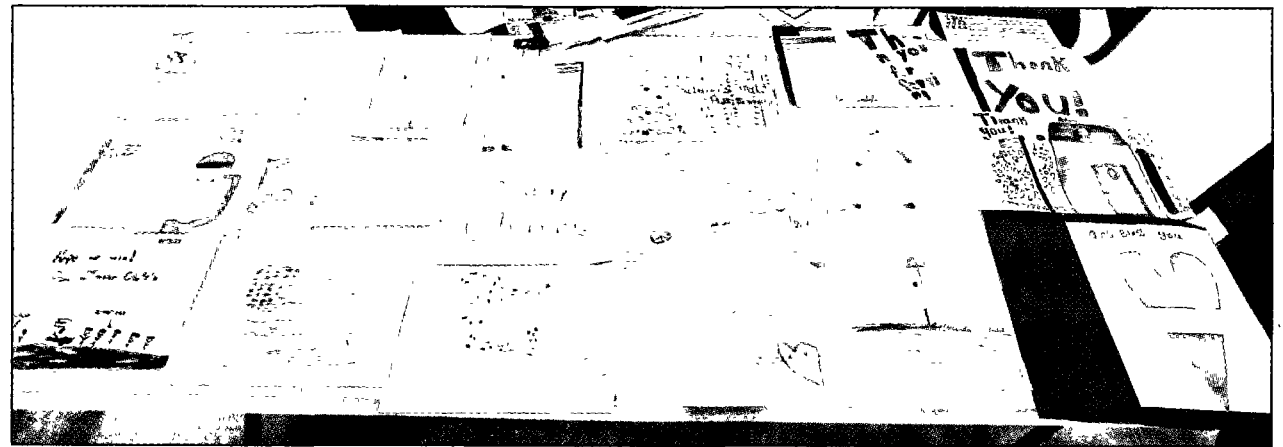
People interested in volunteering or for more information, can call the HALLOWAYNE hotline at 734-788-4398 from 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. daily or the Wayne Chamber of Commerce at 734-721-0100.

"I think this is going to be a great event," Sanders said. "I hope we get more people from outside the city. The whole idea is to get people to see some of the things we have in Wayne."

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Christmas cards were made by students at Farmington 5/6 Campus in Garden City, Johnson Upper Elementary in Livonia and Guardian Martial Arts and Fitness in Garden City. PHOTOS BY TOM BEAUDOIN

## BOXES

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asked her sensei at Guardian Martial Arts and Fitness to donate something and took it to her art teacher at Farmington 5/6 Campus, both in Garden City, and got "tons of letters."

"The art teacher was wonderful," Mikolajczyk said.

Likewise, Mackenzie Compton, also of Livonia, brought letters from her class. The teacher went so far as to have a group photo taken in front of the school to include with the notes.

"We've gotten cards and letters back from the soldiers," Mikolajczyk said.

The girls also fundraised to cover the \$206 cost to ship the packages through the U.S. Postal Service. They received donations from VFW Post 2233 in Detroit which not only brought in items for the packages, but also \$20 to help with postage. Financial support also came from the Leathernecks, Beverly Scott and Beverly Burton.

There was a lot of preparation for the packing. Planning started at a barbecue held for the girls in July and continued at the monthly meetings at 6 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month.

In addition to the boxes, the Junior Girls do a variety of activities under the watchful eye of the



Monica Rokita of Plymouth picks out Christmas and thank you cards.



Marissa Smith of Plymouth and Lerra Garrett of Westland help the cause.

Ladies Auxiliary. They've done flag burning ceremonies at the Bova Post, participated in Westland's annual POW/MIA ceremony, taken cards and visited the Detroit and Ann Arbor VA hospitals and dressed up as Rosie the Riveter for the annual World War II veteran's luncheon held at the post.

"They also work with other community groups," Mikolajczyk said. "They've worked with hockey

groups and the Boy Scouts."

### Juniors Girls

The Junior Girls is open to the girls ages 5-16 and the daughter, foster daughter, stepdaughter, granddaughter, sister, foster sister, step sister or half sister of someone eligible for the VFW.

The Bova Junior Girls unit is the only one in the VFW District 4 and draws members from throughout the area. The members come from Westland, Garden City, Livonia, Plymouth and even Commerce Township.

As part of the program, they send care packages to soldiers overseas, volunteer in hospitals and nursing homes, raise funds to fight cancer, march in parades, learn about patriotism and US history, and help the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary support military service members and their families.

The girls also have an opportunity to have fun with pool parties, sleepovers and barbecues.

"They bond as a family and learn about their country," Mikolajczyk said. "At the end of the year they have an extravaganza or state convention at Camp Trotter which is funded by the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary."

"They learn about God, family and love of country," she added.

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## APOLOGY

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is, two wrongs don't make a right."

Robinson said she thinks Johnson violated the board's code of ethics hanging up on the wall behind the board table where they were sitting.

But Johnson said because the alleged accusations, which he said were unfounded, not researched and not fact-based, were made at a public meeting, they needed to be addressed in public. "When things like that happen at the table in public, I will address them in public," he said.



Robinson



McDonnell

### Oct. 7 meeting

At the Oct. 7 meeting, McDonnell said she attended the Sept. 17 bid opening for waste removal services. One bid was opened, but not read. The employee who opened it said he didn't see a required document among the paperwork. McDonnell said when she asked at the bid opening if she could look at the unread bid, she was told no. "Anybody that doesn't

want me to touch something to review it gives me an air of suspicion," she said.

At that same meeting, Trustee Randy Roulie said he didn't think McDonnell's claim was fair because she couldn't substantiate it.

"I wasn't allowed to see the document, so how can I substantiate anything?" McDonnell said, adding she didn't know if the claim was fair either.

"That's the issue I have," Roulie said.

"I apologize," McDonnell said.

At Monday's meeting, Superintendent Randy Liepa said proper procedures were followed during the bid opening. Lisa Abbey, the district's director of business services, said when bid packages don't include all the required documents, they are not read out loud. She said that happens occasionally.

Johnson said McDonnell had three weeks from the bid opening Sept. 17 to the committee of the whole meeting Oct. 7 to review the bid packet, yet she said she didn't have an opportunity to do so.

"I think that board member (McDonnell) owes that staff member an apology and I am ask-

*"When things like that happen at the table in public, I will address them in public."*

MARK JOHNSON,  
school board president

ing for it now," he said.

McDonnell said she was invited to review the bid packet in the board office, but when she came in at 4:20 p.m. Oct. 7, no one was in the office so she didn't have a chance to do so before the meeting.

### Waste Management agreement approved

At Monday's meeting, the board approved 6-1 an agreement with Waste Management for waste removal services through June 30.

McDonnell cast the lone no vote, saying the contract does not comply with board policy requiring contracts to be awarded to the lowest bidder.

Liepa said the policy doesn't apply because bids are not required for contracted services like they are for supplies and materials. He said the

board wants to have flexibility in choosing contracted services. "It's not just about price; it's about quality of service," he said.

McDonnell said the district could have saved \$5,600 the first year or \$14,261 through June 30, 2015, by contracting with Republic.

Liepa said bidders quoted prices in three categories: annual, per yard and for special pickup. Waste Management was the second lowest of four qualified bidders in the first two categories, but the lowest in the third category, he said. Overall, Waste Management may cost about \$5,000 more this school year, he said, but administrators recommended using Waste Management through June 30 because of its excellent service, the disruption that may occur by changing over to another provider mid-year and in fairness to Waste Management. He said the district can request new bids in the spring for the next one to three years.

In August, the board agreed to go out for bid for waste removal services after it rejected 3-3 the administration's recommendation to renew the district's agreement with Waste Management for another three years. The agreement with

Waste Management called for a 3-percent increase the first year, a 2.5-percent increase the second year and a 2-percent increase the third year. The district paid Waste Management about \$83,000 for waste removal services last school year.

Administrators had surveyed area districts to find out what they are paying for waste removal. While two of the handful of districts that responded paid less than Waste Management wanted to charge LPS, the rest were higher. Vice President Colleen Burton, Johnson and Trustee Tammy Bonifield voted for the motion; Roulie, McDonnell and Robinson voted against it. Board Secretary Dianne Laura was absent.

Bonifield said one reason she supported Monday's motion to use Waste Management through June 30 was that its pricing was unintentionally made public during the August discussion, giving other bidders "a target to go after."

"I think as a district we need to give them a chance to finish up to the end of the school year," she said.

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### CITY OF WAYNE PUBLIC NOTICE

There will be an official Public Accuracy Test of the Election Management and Tabulation computer system to be used by the City of Wayne for the General Election, Tuesday, November 5, 2013. The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate that the computer program used to record and count the votes cast at the election meets the requirements of law. The test will be held at the Building and Engineering Department, 4001 South Wayne Road on Tuesday, October 29, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

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# Westland to hold e-waste collection Saturday

Vintage Tech Recyclers, LG Electronics USA and the City of Westland are teaming to provide a free one-day e-waste collection event for residents of the City of Westland and surrounding communities.

The electronics-recycling event will be 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26, in the parking lot of the former Service Merchandise at 35300 Nankin Blvd., north of Warren Road.

Vintage Tech staff members will be on site to unload materials. Residents are encouraged to stay in their vehicles.

Items will be accepted free of charge include computers, laptops, monitors, LCDs, cell phones, printers, scanners, modems, CD drives, cables, keyboards, mice, televisions, VCRs, DVD players, camcorders, cameras, gamer players and joysticks, telephones, pagers, answering machines, typewriters, calculators, adding machines, fax machines and copiers.

"I am always looking for innovative ways to promote sustainability and encourage Westland residents to incorporate environmentally-friendly practices into their daily

lives," Mayor William Wild said. "Providing a free and responsible way for our residents to dispose of their out-lived electronics is a way to practice what we preach."

Thanks to rapidly advancing technology, electronics have become one of the fastest growing "waste streams" or portions of the nation's trash. Donating e-products allows for valuable material to be recovered, and these materials can be used to make new products.

Also, most electronics contain hazardous or toxic materials, which can cause an environmental problem, if discarded in the trash. Vintage Tech Recyclers is an e-Steward certified recycling company, ensuring that all electronics are properly handled, keeping substances like lead and mercury from harming the environment.

The company also provides hard drive security with compliant software wiping technology at their facilities nationally.

For more information, call Vintage Tech at 630-305-0922. For more information about responsible electronic recycling, visit [www.vintagetechnology.com](http://www.vintagetechnology.com).



Infantry Capt. Doug Nosbisch of Manchester talks about the Civil War era and what it was like to live back in the day. TOM BEAUDOIN



Civil War blacksmith Martin Nemeckay Sr. takes a break with his dog Rosa after a long day of pounding out steel for the Civil War community. TOM BEAUDOIN

# Reenactors bring Civil War era to life

Approximately 25 members of "The Stone-wall Regiment" presented a living history event at Greenmead Historic Village in Livonia last weekend to show the public what life was like in the United States during the Civil War.

Both civilian and military members of 17th Michigan Volunteer Infantry Company E Inc., as the unit is officially known, participated. The civilian members demonstrated period cooking, needle pointing, fashions of the day, and put on a temperance meeting "to curb the excessive use of alcoholic beverages," said Bill Ziembra of Westland, vice president of the non-profit educational organization. There was also a session on 19th century mourning prac-



Joyce Vitez of Brighton talks about how homes were furnished back in the days of the Civil War. TOM BEAUDOIN

tices following a death. The military members demonstrated how a typical Union military camp was set up. Camp life was also portrayed with period food, rations, equipment and firearms of both officers and enlisted men. Firing demonstrations were conducted to show how weapons were loaded and fired. Dr. Gerald Turlo of Livonia, the group's

president, demonstrated how wounds were treated and, if necessary, how a limb was amputated. Ziembra was part of the military camp life presentation. "I enjoyed dressing the younger spectators in military clothing and equipment. I don't think that many appreciated how much the equipment that a Civil War soldier carried weighed until they were

outfitted with a cartridge box, bayonet, backpack and a rifle," Ziembra said.

Ziembra said the enthusiasm of the public was refreshing, though only about 50 people attended Saturday because of the cold, rainy weather. On Sunday, a sunny day, an estimated 100 people came out to see the encampment.

It was the first time in about 10 years the unit held a living history weekend at Greenmead.

"The unit thought that this event was a very positive experience and the consensus is that we would like to do it again next year," Ziembra said.

The unit has been affiliated for about a decade with Greenmead, where it participates in the Hanging of the Greens at Christmastime and at various cemetery walks.

For more information about the unit, visit <http://17micoe.org>.

**CITY OF WAYNE  
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**ELECTION NOTICE TO THE ELDERLY AND DISABLED VOTERS  
OF THE CITY OF WAYNE COUNTY OF WAYNE MICHIGAN**

Absent voter ballots for the City of Wayne General Election of November 4, 2013 are available through the Wayne City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 3355 South Wayne Road, Wayne, Michigan for those persons who are physically unable to attend the polls or are 60 years of age or older. The voter, before the issuance of a ballot, must complete an application for a ballot. The last day to apply for a ballot by mail is Saturday, November 2, 2013 at 2:00p.m. Persons qualified to vote absentee may vote in person in the Wayne City Clerk's Office until 4:00p.m. on Monday, November 4, 2013

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City Clerk

**CITY OF WAYNE  
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ELECTION NOTICE TO THE QUALIFIED  
ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WAYNE,  
COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Election will be held in the City of Wayne, County of Wayne, Michigan, on Tuesday, November 5, 2013, from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., for the purpose of electing a Mayor and three City Council members, and to consider two Charter Amendments for the City of Wayne. The Clerk's Office will be open on Saturday, November 2, 2013, from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., for the purpose of receiving applications for absentee ballots.

All polling locations are accessible to persons with disabilities. Voting instructions are also available in alternative formats, audio and Braille, at each polling location.

The following Charter Amendments shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Wayne, at the election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013:

**PROPOSAL NO. 1**

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SECTIONS 19.1 AND 19.3 OF CHAPTER 19  
OF THE WAYNE CITY CHARTER**

Shall Chapter 19 of the Charter of the City of Wayne be amended so that police officers and firefighters are excluded from the retirement system established by the City Charter, effective with the 2014-2015 fiscal year, and instead become members of a separate retirement system under 1937 PA 345, as amended, and that accumulated contributions to the current employee's retirement system made by or on behalf of such officers be transferred to the Act 345 retirement system? This charter amendment shall not be effective unless the electors approve the establishment of a separate retirement system under said Act 345.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**PROPOSAL NO. 2**

**PROPOSAL TO ADOPT AN ACT 345 RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR  
POLICE OFFICERS AND FIREFIGHTERS**

Shall the City of Wayne, Wayne County, Michigan, be authorized to establish a separate retirement system pursuant to Act 345 of 1937, as amended, for the benefit of police officers and firefighters employed by the City, create a board of trustees to manage and operate the system, and be authorized to levy a new tax annually in an amount sufficient to fund the system in an actuarially sound manner, but not to exceed 7.00 mills in any year on each dollar (\$7.00 per \$1,000) of the taxable value of all property in the City, for a 10 year period to fund the system, all contingent upon the approval by the electors of a City Charter amendment authorizing the transfer of police officer and firefighter members from the current employee's retirement system to the new system created under Act 345?

It is expected that approximately 7 mills will be levied in 2014 and will raise the sum of approximately \$2,600,000.00.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Statement as required by Act 278 of Public Acts of 1964  
Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act  
I, **RAYMOND J. WOJCIWICZ**, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of September 26, 2013 the total of all voted increases in excess of the tax rate limitation established by Section 6, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, as amended, and the years such increases are effective on property in the County of Wayne are as follows:

Wayne County	Wayne County, Michigan	Wayne-Westland School District	
<b>Taxing Authorities</b>	<b>Date of Election</b>	<b>Voted Increases</b>	<b>Years Increase Effective</b>
County of Wayne	November 3, 2009	1 mill	2019
Wayne County Jail	August 7, 2012	1 mill	2021
Wayne County Parks	November 2, 2010	0.25 mills	2015
Wayne County			
Comm. College	November 6, 2008	1.25 mills	2020
Wayne-Westland	May 2010	18 mills	2025 (non-homestead)
Comm. Schools	February 2012	1 mill	2022
Dated: September 26, 2013		Raymond Wojciwicz, /s/	Treasurer

Each person voting in the election must be:

(a) A citizen of the United States of America over eighteen (18) year of age;

(b) A registered elector of the city or township in which he or she resides.

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Precinct 1 and 2 Wayne Senior Activity Center, 35000 Sims Ave.  
 Precinct 4 and 5 Taft-Galloway Elementary School, 4035 Gloria St.  
 Precinct 6 and 7 Hoover Elementary School, 5400 Fourth St.  
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## Retiree creates 'Officer Down' memorial

By Laura Colvin  
Staff Writer

Tony Massa wants to make sure the sacrifices of fallen police officers are not forgotten.

The retired Milford man is working to create a rolling memorial, which he'll be showing at car shows around town, including Bakers of Milford, as well as in parades and at other events.

Massa became involved with numerous police agencies across the state after his son, Mark — then a senior at Milford High School — was killed by a drunken driver near the family's home in 1993.



Massa

Mark, Massa said, planned to be a police officer and hoped to patrol the streets of Milford. After Mark's sudden death, Massa began speaking to high school students around the country about the dangers of impaired driving. He also counsels family members of those killed in car accidents.

As a member of the Knights of Columbus, he also serves as a volunteer, helping out wherever needed, at funeral services for police officers killed in the line of duty.

"I want to show the officers and their families how much we appreciate everything they do," Massa said. "They get up in the morning, eat their breakfast, kiss their wives and kids goodbye and don't know if they'll be coming back again."

So far, the trailer, dubbed "Officer Down Memorial," lists the names of seven Michigan police officers killed in the line of duty since 2000.

Massa plans to add more names, as his finances allow, along with insignia from numerous police agencies. He's also planning to install a video screen inside the trailer, which he'll use to show a film memorializing the officers.

"It's my way of showing my appreciation for what they do," Massa said.

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### Larceny

A self-propelled lawn mower, a Montgomery Ward drill and generator were reported stolen from a garage in the 1400 block of Merriman on Oct. 14.

The owner told police the items were taken sometime between 6 p.m. Oct. 11 and 10 a.m. Oct. 12. There were no signs of forced entry. The homeowner said the garage may have not been secured.

» An air conditioning unit was reported stolen from the backyard of a home in the 34000 block of Fernwood on Oct. 3.

An employee of Ki Construction said he had been doing work at the bank-owned foreclosed property and discovered the unit missing about 7 a.m.

### Larceny from a vehicle

A Westland man told police that sometime between midnight and 7 a.m. Oct. 15 someone broke into his Buick Rendezvous and stole his portable DVD player. His wife's Kia Spectra also was broken into, but nothing was taken.

The man said his vehicle had been locked. Both cars showed no sign of forced entry.

### Larceny

Police were summoned to a home in the 30000 block of Palmer on Oct. 14 after the owner discovered copper pipes stolen from the basement and kitchen.

The home was being repaired, and the owner was scheduled to move in at the end of the month. She had been at the home the day before while carpet was being installed. She allowed to crew to continue working and left for

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work. They were supposed to secure the house when they left.

When she returned the next day another crew was working in a different area of the home. She discovered that someone had pulled down some ceiling tiles in the basement and cut approximately 15 feet of copper pipe from the hot water tank. She checked the rest of the house and discovered 2 feet of copper pipe stolen from under the kitchen sink.

She also checked the house for signs of forced entry and found none. She said only herself and her neighbor had keys to the home. He had last been there Oct. 13 to change door locks at the owner's sure request.

A piece of pipe was found on a bathroom window sill and was checked for prints. None were found.

» A license plate was reported stolen overnight Oct. 15 from a car parked in the driveway of a home in the 38000 block of North Miller Circle. The car had been in the driveway from 8:30 p.m. Oct. 15 to noon Oct. 16. Nothing else was reported stolen.

» An air conditioning unit, lawn mower and aluminum siding were reported stolen Oct. 16 from a home in the 1400 block of Berkshire. A first floor and basement windows were also broken.

The owner told police that when he checked the home Oct. 8 everything was fine, and then discovered the missing items Oct. 13.

### Larceny

A Dearborn resident told police that her purse, containing \$40 in cash, an AT&T cell phone, her wallet and a debit card were stole overnight Oct. 16 while her vehicle was parked at American House, 1660 S. Venoy.

The culprits gained access to her vehicle through an unlocked passenger door.

» A Garmin GPS unit was stolen from a car parked in the driveway of a home in the 500 block of Brookfield overnight Oct. 13.

The owner told police she thought the car had been locked and that the GPS had been in the console. Nothing else was reported stolen.

### Vandalism

A resident in the 7500 block of Floral Avenue told police that someone cut three TV cable wires on the back of her home between 1-7 p.m. Oct. 16.

### Stolen property

The license plate of a car was reported stolen by a resident of the Trafalgar Square Apartments on Oct. 17.

The woman told police she parked the car backed in primarily underneath a carport on the south side of the parking lot between Oct. 15-17. She noticed the plate missing while she was out driving around.

### Larceny

Several gift cards, \$20 in cash and an Apple iPod with radio adapter were stolen from a car while it was parked in the driveway of a home in the 100 block of Stephanie Drive between 9 p.m. Oct. 18 and 7 p.m. Oct. 19.

The owner told police the vehicle had been locked. There were no signs of forced entry.

» A resident of the 6500 Block of Lakeview reported to police that her daughter's car had been ransacked while parked overnight Oct. 19. Nothing appeared to have been taken, and the woman said she believed the car hadn't been locked.

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#### Stolen vehicle

A resident in the 33000 block of Kathryn reported at 4:30 a.m. Oct. 22 that someone stole her car in the short time that she was warming the 2002 Ford Explorer up before work.

The keys were in the ignition. She described the car as having tinted windows and blue tape on the passenger side taillight.

#### Fraud

A resident came to the police station about 2:30 p.m. Oct. 20 to report that someone made nine charges on his debit card account which totaled about \$884. All of the charges were made at different Kroger stores in Ohio.

He said he still has possession of his

credit card and didn't give anyone permission to use the card.

#### Theft

A resident in the 28000 block of Beechwood said that after she forgot to lock her car before going for a walk about 8 p.m. Oct. 17, she discovered that someone had entered her car and stolen her iPod and Garmin GPS system. About \$50 in change was also missing.

#### Theft

A trash can was reported stolen Oct. 6 in the 28000 block of Bock. A police report is necessary to obtain a replacement.

#### Property damage

A resident in the 32000 block of Brown reported Oct. 16 that someone smashed

the front passenger side window of his 2000 Ford Explorer. He told police he wasn't having problems with anyone.

#### Identity theft

A woman in the 31000 block of Alvin reported Oct. 17 that someone committed fraud by using her personal information.

She said she realized there was a problem when she didn't receive a beneficiary check after her father died earlier this year.

She contacted the Detroit Police and Fire system and they told her that a check had been mailed to an address in Warren.

She reported that she doesn't know anybody who lives at that address nor did she ever reside at that address.

By Sue Buck



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# Man's 'Hobby' becomes computer gaming giant

By Matt Jachman  
Staff Writer

Brad Wardell's "hobby that got out of control" has grown into a multi-million-dollar Plymouth Township company that's a major player in the computer game and computer software markets.

Wardell, of Canton Township, founded Stardock Inc. while a student at Western Michigan University and the company marked its 20th anniversary Tuesday with the release of *Galactic Civilizations III*, a multi-player online strategy game. It's a sequel to the original *Galactic Civilizations*, which Wardell came up with in 1993.

In addition, Stardock is undergoing a major expansion at its headquarters on Beck Road near Five Mile, finishing an entire floor to add a game studio and a chic, cafe-style work area designed to promote collaboration in a casual environment.



Although most of Stardock's products are downloaded, eliminating the box, founder Brad Wardell still keeps copies in his office. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

With about 50 employees now, Wardell plans to add about 25 software engineers and game designers within two years.

### College startup

Wardell started out tinkering in his dormitory room at Western — where he majored in electrical engineering — building and selling personal computers he'd made from components. At the time, he said, they were cheap-

er than the PCs sold by a limited number of manufacturers. He then got into software and game development.

"I started the company as a way to pay for school," Wardell said, recalling how the original *Galactic Civilizations* was made for a long-ago IBM operating system. "The idea was I'd graduate from school and get a real job."

He had that real job

for a couple of months, as a consultant for the lending arm of a major automaker. But revenue from software he'd previously developed kept coming in and when Wardell saw the opportunity to grow his company, he took it.

Stardock's first real office was in Canton and his first employees were the best man at his wedding and his wife's sister — both still with the company. There was a stop in Livonia, too, before Stardock bought the building it's now headquartered in nearly a decade ago.

"This was my big splurge," Wardell said as he led a Monday tour of the three-story building. The pet-friendly office has a laid-back atmosphere — employees benefit from regular visits from a nutritionist and a personal trainer — but the focus can be intense. One wall consists of a whiteboard tagged with relevant advice and aphorisms from gaming and

business gurus.

### Global reach

Stardock also has contract workers in several corners of the globe and Wardell said the company is planning studios in other parts of the country.

The company specializes in strategy games and also makes desktop enhancements, software designed to modify and customize computer desktops to improve users' experiences.

"That's what we're interested in," rather than role-playing or first-person shooter games, Wardell said. "I don't want to make a game that someone else can do better."

Wardell credits talented employees — many of whom have been brought in from other parts of the country — for Stardock's success.

"We've just built up this network of highly talented people who can

just do so much," Wardell said.

Brand manager Adam Biessener is one of Stardock's latest recruits. He's a former writer and editor in the gaming media who knew Wardell from stories he'd done and reviews of Stardock's games. Formerly of Minneapolis, he's been in the area less than a month.

"It's still culturally very Midwestern," and similar to Minneapolis in that way, Biessener said.

Wardell said he likes to provide a pleasant working environment, perks and the flexibility to let employees meet their family needs, in order to keep turnover low.

The personal trainer, for example, is a perk that helps employees stretch and stay relaxed while at work, an antidote to hours spent at computer terminals.

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## GARDEN CLIPPINGS

### Spaghetti dinner

Good Hope Lutheran Church will host its annual Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction from 5-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$3.50 for children ages 4-11 and free for children age 3 and under.

Good Hope Lutheran is at 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City. For more information, call the church office at 734-427-3660.

### Fall Festival

Garden City Presbyterian Church will hold its annual Fall Harvest Festival from 4-7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 27, at the church, 1841 Middlebelt, one block south of Ford Road.

There will be games, costume contests, pumpkin carving, a kiddie

hayride, food and a trunk or treat.

For more information, call the church at 734-421-7620.

### Meet Candidates

Meet the Candidates for the Nov. 5 Garden City election is being shown on GCTV and is available on YouTube.

The program can be seen on GCTV (Comcast 12, WOW 18 and U-verse 99) from Oct. 25 to Nov. 3 at 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. Meet the Candidates can also be seen at [www.youtube.com/gctvvideos](http://www.youtube.com/gctvvideos).

To get the results first on election night, GCTV will be producing its traditional "Election Night Live" program hosted by Dan York and Susan McGraw. The show will include interviews with all of the

candidates and the results as soon as they are available. The program will be seen on cable on GCTV and live online on [ustream.tv](http://ustream.tv), search [yourgctv](http://yourgctv).

All of these links can be found through the city's website at [www.gardencitymi.org/gctv](http://www.gardencitymi.org/gctv).

### Project Graduation

Project Graduation 2014 is holding an Accurate Driving raffle with the lucky ticket holder winning a Segment One and Segment two from Accurate Driving, a \$289 value.

Tickets cost \$5. They will be available at Garden City High School during parent-teacher conferences. They also are available from Heidi Witt at [hijowitt@yahoo.com](mailto:hijowitt@yahoo.com)

The raffle is going on during October.

### Trunk or Treat

United Baptist Church are inviting families in the community to a Trunk or Treat from 5-7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 27, at the church, 236 Middlebelt, north of Cherry Hill.

There will be free hot dogs, chips and drinks, bounce house and other activities for children as well as candy. Costumes are optional for the trunk or treating.

St. Raphael will hold a Halloween Tailgate Party from 1-2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 27, in the school parking lot, 31500 Beechwood, West of Merriman in Garden City.

Set-up will be at 12:30 p.m. Cars will be lined up in the parking lot, and children go trunk to trunk in their Halloween

costumes to collect their treats. Children who are trunk-or-treating need to bring a can food item for a donation to the St. Raphael Parish food bank.

Participants can decorate their car trunk and bring lots of treats to hand out. Reserve a spot by calling 734-425-9771. Families who wish to trunk or treat must pre-register at the school office by Friday, Oct. 25.

### District Hours

State Sen. Glenn Anderson will host district coffee hours Monday, Oct. 28, in Livonia and Garden City. Citizens of the 6th Senate District are welcome to attend. No appointment is necessary.

Anderson will be at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia,

9-10 a.m. and at the Maplewood Community Center, 31735 Maplewood, Garden City 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Constituents who would like to address an issue with the Senator but are unable to attend may contact him by mail at P.O. Box 30036, Lansing, MI 48909, by phone at or by email at [SenatorAnderson@senate.michigan.gov](mailto:SenatorAnderson@senate.michigan.gov).

### Tutoring

Tutoring is available to Garden City School elementary and middle school students at Garden City High School, 6500 Middlebelt, in room 118 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Wednesdays. For more information, contact Myrna Hathaway at 734-762-8350 or [hathawm@gardencityschools.com](mailto:hathawm@gardencityschools.com).

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Karen Deschaine and Pam Long, made a trip back to John Glenn High School. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



As a commander, Jennifer Sinclair is the director of Performance Technology Center Coast Guard Force Readiness Command.

# OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

20 years later, three John Glenn High School graduates are grateful for experiences at military academies

By Sue Mason  
Staff Writer

Jennifer Beecher Sinclair couldn't make it home for her 20-year class reunion. The closing on a new home was moved up so she missed the opportunity to join classmates Pam Kolongowski Long and Karen Deschaine in walking the halls of John Glenn High School.

Members of the Class of 1993, the three women made history of sorts that year by pursuing their higher education at military academies. Long and Deschaine went to the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, N.Y.; Sinclair went to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn.

Deschaine knew where she wanted to go and it was a conversation with her in her junior year that led Long to give it a try.

"I started looking at the West Point, I never considered the other academies," Long said. "I knew they looked at academics, leadership, physical fitness and moral character. They look for well-rounded students. I had the leadership, community service, academics and sports."

"It was the opportunity to serve," Deschaine said. "West Point is a leadership institution at its core and it has great academics. The reason the Army is so good is the character and leadership. West Point changes who you are. It's the experience."

Sinclair was looking at attending Hillsdale College when a family friend, Ray Reame, a Coast Guard Auxiliary, suggested she apply for the Academy Introduction Mission program. AIM allows high school seniors to attend the Coast Guard Academy for a week to determine if it's the best fit for them.

"I wanted to check different options before selecting a college," she said. "I attended the program and absolutely fell in love with the Coast Guard and its missions. The goal of the academy is to develop leaders of character who aspire to selflessly serve our nation."

## 'Rigorous' process

Both Long and Deschaine described the West Point application



As a cadet, Sinclair served aboard several Coast Guard ships. In fact, after seven weeks of Sawb Summer, she spent a week on the Barque Eagle, America's three-masted tall ship.

process as "rigorous." They received nominations from the late U.S. Rep. William D. Ford. Both found out they had been accepted before being nominated through the a meeting of Michigan West Point Parents Society and a phone call from the congressman.

But the rigorousness of admissions paled in comparison to life at West Point. The two women reported to West Point at the end of June 1993 for basic training. A lot of "weeding out" takes place during that first summer. According to Deschaine, "25 percent of the class didn't graduate, most leave the first year."

"I did prepare, but I'm not sure there is any kind of preparation for that kind of culture shock,"

she said. "Neither of us had a better alternative so we stayed. Quitting was not an option."

"You're much more isolated when you're there," Long said. "We left our family and our friends and we didn't know. And when we did, we were literally standing in line to use a pay phone."

"They couldn't call you, you had to make friends with your class. You had to bond with them and dig in. You had to build your own network," she added.

Their parents got a few letters that were "discouraging." They were probably similar to those written by other soldiers in basic training.

"That was the worst summer and first year,

and it only got marginally better," Deschaine said. "Cadets get a little more freedom each year. As seniors, they were made to feel they have all this freedom, but they don't. It's a very controlling atmosphere, but a phenomenal experience."

"You have to buy into it," Long said. "I told myself I'm in this for the long haul. You can quit up to the second year, but after the third you can't."

## Coast Guard life

Applying to the Coast Guard Academy was just as rigorous. After the AIM program, Sinclair completed her application "as quickly as possible." She qualified for the early action program to get a decision by the end of December and her commitment by May 1.

"My guidance counselor at John Glenn contacted the admissions office for me just before our Thanksgiving break, and was informed that I was accepted," she said. "My guidance counselor called me out of my physics class to let me know."

According to Sinclair, the Coast Guard Academy is different from the other service academies, one of which is the percentage of women who choose to attend it. Her class was 30 percent women. In 2012, 37 percent of the incoming class was women, and this year it was about 36 percent — the highest percentages in the academy's history.

The Coast Guard Academy is also the smallest, "so you get to know your classmates

very well," she said.

"I met some amazing women and men at the academy, who became my closest friends," she said. "These are the people who helped me stay focused on graduating and serving in the Coast Guard, and the ones who did push-ups with me, rowed crew with me, studied with me, and prepared for military inspections with me."

She admits being at the academy at 17 years old was tough. When she returned to school after holiday breaks, she thought about being at a traditional college — "sleeping in, wearing sweat pants to school, popping home to have my parents do my laundry."

"After that homesickness passed, however, I could never imagine attending any other school," she said. "Getting accepted to the academy is incredibly difficult, and ultimately I wanted to serve my country as a Coast Guard officer. The thought of my reward upon graduation was enough to get me through the hardest days ... and having my incredibly supportive parents and a brother back in Wayne helped me stay focused."

The academies are essentially engineering schools, but the three women pursued different studies.

Sinclair majored in government, but took a year each of chemistry, physics and calculus. She also rowed on the NCAA division 3 crew team for four years and competed on the first women's swim team at the academy. During her time there, it only fielded a women's swim club. Women's swimming is now a NCAA division 3.

Deschaine, valedictorian of Glenn's class of 1993, went on to graduate on the dean's list of West Point's class of 1997 with a degree in economics. While at West Point, she was a member of the sport parachute team and jumped the game ball into numerous Army football games. She also was named the Overall Novice Champion at the 1994 National Collegiate Skydiving Championships.

Long, who worked at Mickey's Dairy Twist on Wayne Road before be-

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In 1993, *The Observer* took a photo of the three women - Jennifer Beecher (from left) Pam Kolongowski and Karen Deschaine before they had their long hair cut.

## GRADS

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coming a cadet, majored in psychology and earned an Army Master Fitness qualification and Army Airborne qualification. She graduated in 1997 as a Distinguished Cadet with high grades in academics, military skills and physical fitness.

### After the academies

After graduation, she was commissioned as an officer in the Medical Service Corps, and stationed at Ft. Hood, Texas. Within a few months of graduating she was on her way to Bosnia as part of a NATO peacekeeping task force.

"I'd just gotten married and less than a year after graduating I had to tell my husband who had waited for four years, see you," she said.

After Bosnia, she was able to "home stay."

As a first lieutenant, she was selected for the commander position of a MEDEVAC headquarters. As a captain, she earned the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) certification and served as an assistant Brigade Training Officer for Army medics. She also earned a master's degree in educational psychology and became an applied behavioral therapist.

Long served five years of active duty, now she is active reserve. There are certain specialties that don't have a release from service and have to be certified every year. She has one of them.

"9/11 changed everything, now the military relies on the reserves and has to call back soldiers," she said. "In post 9/11, I saw the world's largest open post become the largest closed post."

Long finished her commitment, but without the support network, it was getting stressful, raising children and serving her country.

"I didn't think I could maintain it long term," she said. "I loved being in the Army, it was a great experience. You work hard to get promoted and you get promoted. But that's also your family. The military is a family culture."

She and her husband Ryan, her high school sweetheart and "Stick Man," the cartoonist for the school newspaper, now live in Colorado where she works with children with behavioral, language, social and developmental challenges associated with the autism spectrum.

Deschaine also has left the Army after serving seven years. After graduating from West Point, she served in numerous roles as an officer in the U.S. Army's Finance Corps. She left the Army in 2004 as a captain. She commanded two companies, including an airborne finance company at Fort Bragg, N.C. She earned a master of business administration degree in finance from Auburn University and a law degree with a specialization in business law from the University



Karen Deschaine and Pam Long walked down the main hallway of John Glenn High School during a return visit earlier this month. BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

*"I'd just gotten married and less than a year after graduating I had to tell my husband who had waited for four years, see you."*

### PAM LONG

of California.

"My husband and I were both working too much, we struggled with who should get out," she said. "The Army sent us both to Los Angeles and I got into a really good law school. It was the right time and I was in the right place."

For Deschaine, leaving the Army was a lifestyle choice — two children, ages 1 and 3, vs. the active duty.

"It was a choice," she said. "I didn't want to get to the breaking point. It became a bigger deal when my son was born in 2001. My ex-husband was deployed to Afghanistan in December 2001. There was a real possibility that we both could go. Once I became a parent, my priorities changed."

She now lives in San Diego with her 12-year-old son Dakota and 10-year-old daughter, Jenna Rain, and works as a corporate attorney.

Of the three women, Sinclair is the only one who has remained in the military. After graduating in 1997, she served as a deck watch officer aboard USCGC SENECA and at various positions at the Coast Guard Academy, at Activities (now Sector) New York in the Response Department and the Command Center and as commanding officer of Personnel Services and Support Unit Headquarters and as the Personnel Support Department Head at Base National Capital Region. She currently is a commander, assigned to the Performance Technology Center in Yorktown.

Along the way, she has earned a master of science degree in instructional and performance

technology from Boise State University. She met her husband Mike Sinclair at the Academy, and they married after their first tour. A lieutenant commander, he works at the Legal Service Command. They have a 6-year-old son, Archer, and a newborn daughter, Piper.

"My husband was a ship driver and ship captain for six years and attended Coast Guard-sponsored law school at Temple University during my tour at Cape May," she said. "He now serves as a Coast Guard attorney in Norfolk."

Throughout our dating and married life, we've worked closely with our assignment officers to find challenging, high visibility jobs where we can live together within a reasonable commuting distance. I'm so fortunate to be part of an organization that truly values work life balance."

### Grateful to serve

All three women are grateful for the education they received and the opportunity to serve their country. Deschaine and Long admit they miss the military.

"West Point teaches you that you have a lifetime commitment to your nation. How you fulfill that when you're not in the Army ... I'm still trying to figure that out," Long said.

"I love my career, I'm successful at what I do, but I still miss the Army," Deschaine said. "I feel I was born to be a soldier. For women, I think it's a great place to build a career."

And it's that sense of service that keeps them connected.

"The academy was absolutely one of the best experiences of my life, and it was the most challenging four years of my life, but I learned so much about leadership, friendship and professional development," Sinclair said.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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UPCOMING EVENTS

APPRAISAL CLINIC

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2.  
**Location:** Octagon House at the Westland Historic Village Park, 857 Wayne Road, Westland.  
**Details:** DuMouchelle Galleries will be conducting an appraisal clinic at the Octagon House. The fee is \$10 per item for verbal appraisals, with a maximum of three items per person. Appraisal items must be able to be brought inside the building.  
**Contact:** Call 734-522-3918 to let organizers know how many items you have to appraise and to obtain an estimated time slot for your appraisal.

CELIAC SUPPORT

**Time/Date:** Monday, Nov. 11.  
**Location:** First Presbyterian Church, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington.  
**Details:** The next Tri-County Celiac Support Group general meeting will have Dr. Brandon Dorsey Ross will speak on "What's the Problem: Celiac Disease, Food Allergies, Food Intolerance." Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

COMMUNITY RECEPTION

**Time/Date:** 3-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26.  
**Where:** Hangar 1 on the west side of Willow Run Airport.  
**Details:** The community is invited to a reception and celebration of the former Willow Run Powertrain Plant, hosted by the Yankee Air Museum. Those attending can step inside the former bomber plant as it currently is configured for the final time. Light refreshments will be served.

CRAFTERS DAY

**Time/Day:** 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9.  
**Location:** St. Damian Parish, 29891 Joy, west of Middlebelt, Westland.  
**Details:** Calling all scrapbookers, card makers, jewelry makers and crafters. The fee for the day is \$35, half day is \$20, which includes a light breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks, friendship and

The People's choice



The winner of the Garden City Chili Cook-Off's Peoples Choice Chili for the third year in a row is the team from American Legion Post 391. Members include Doctor Bob, Gary Fox, Norm Abramczyk, Adam Mihal, Lenny Henning. Not pictured is team captain Jeff McAdams. PHOTO BY TOM BEAUDOIN

fellowship.  
**Contact:** Karen Crunk at 734-421-2853 or at klcrunk@quixnet.net (put 12-hour crop in the subject line).

GARDEN CITY PTSA

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9.  
**Location:** Garden City High School 6500 Middlebelt, between Ford and Warren Road.  
**Details:** Admission is \$1 for the PYTSA Craft and Vendor Show. There also will be raffles, bake sale and concessions.  
**Contact:** For more information or table availability, email vendorshow@gmail.com.

FOR YOUR HEALTH SAFE PLACE

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Thursdays.  
**Location:** Fellowship Hall at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, Garden City.  
**Details:** A Safe Place is based on the Alcoholics for Christ program.  
**Contact:** Russ Weathers at 734-422-1995.

ADULT DAY SERVICES

**Time/Date:** 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays.  
**Location:** 570 S. Main St., Plymouth.  
**Detail:** A structured weekday alternative for adults in need of

supervision. Program provides activities and discussions to meet social, recreational and personal needs unique to dependent individuals.  
**Contact:** Laurie Krause at laurie.lifecareads@gmail.com and 734-956-2600.

METRO FIBROMYALGIA

**Time/Date:** 1-3 p.m. Second and fourth Thursday of each month.  
**Location:** Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, just west of Ford in Garden City.  
**Details:** The first meeting has a speaker, the second meeting is open to discuss living with our fibromyalgia.  
**Contact:** Ruthann at 734-981-2519.

MENOPAUSE & MORE

**Time/Date:** 7-9 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month.  
**Location:** Classroom 2 of the west addition of the Marian Women Center of St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia.  
**Details:** A support group for women, no registration is necessary, and the group is free of charge.  
**Contact:** 734-655-1100.

COUNTERPOINT

**Details:** Counterpoint Shelter and Crisis Center offers free counseling and respite services for people ages 10-17 and their

families.  
**Contact:** 734-563-5005.

TOUGHLOVE

**Time/Date:** 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays.  
**Location:** Northwest Senior Skill Center, Ann Arbor Trail between Merriman and Farmington, Livonia.  
**Details:** Support group, newcomers welcome.  
**Contact:** 734-261-7880 or 248-380-7748.

LIFECARE

**Time/Date:** 7-9:15 p.m. Thursday.  
**Location:** 570 S. Main St., Plymouth.  
**Details:** LifeCare is a care/support/recovery groups for everyone facing life's challenges.  
**Contact:** Lillian Easterly-Smith at info.lifecarecc@gmail.com or 734-956-2109.

EDUCATION

**WILLOW CREEK**  
**Location:** 36660 Cherry Hill in Westland.  
**Details:** Willow Creek Cooperative Preschool offers a Parent/Tot, Young 3's, 3-year and 4-year programs.  
**Contact:** 734-326-0078.

ST. DAMIAN

**Location:** 29891 Joy, Westland.  
**Details:** St. Damian Catholic School offers preschool for 3-4-year-olds and full day kindergarten through grade 8.  
**Contact:** 734-427-1680, www.stdamian.com.  
**YWCA PRESCHOOL**  
**Details:** The YWCA of Western Wayne County's Education Department offers quality preschool programs for ages 2-5 at no cost to most families. There are many locations available throughout the community. Home-based programs are also available.  
**Contact:** 313-561-4110, Ext. 10

ST. MARY

**Location:** St. Mary Catholic School, 34516 Michigan Ave., Wayne.  
**Details:** St. Mary School offers pre-K 3 and 4 and kindergarten-eighth-grade. St. Mary has been recognized as a School of Distinction.  
**Contact:** For more information, call the school office at 734-721-1240.

ORGANIZATIONS

**FRIENDS OF ELOISE**  
**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. third Tuesday of the months of February, April, June, September and November.  
**Location:** Collins House in the Westland Historic Village Park, 857 N. Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill, Westland.  
**Contact:** Pat Ibbotson at 734-331-9291 or by e-mail at pibbot-

so@aol.com or Jo Johnson 734-522-3918.

WESTLAND ROTARY

**Time/Date:** 12:15 p.m. Thursdays.  
**Location:** Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, east of Middlebelt, Westland.  
**Details:** Community Service programs and planning. Catered lunch; visitors welcome. Visit www.westlandrotary.com for more information about meetings, programs and events.  
**Contact:** Jeff at 734-261-5010.

FAMILY CAREGIVERS

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. first Monday of the month.  
**Location:** Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth.  
**Details:** For residents of southern and western Wayne County who are caring for family members and/or friends age 60 and older, or who are over age 60 themselves. Offered by Adult Well-Being Services through The Senior Alliance. Funded by The Senior Alliance and United Way.  
**Contact:** Helen Streett at 734-629-5004. Call to confirm time and date, if coming for the first time.

CAREGIVERS - SPOUSES

**Time/Date:** 1 p.m. second Tuesday of the month.  
**Location:** Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth.  
**Details:** For residents of southern and western Wayne County who are caring for a spouse age 60 and older, or who are over age 60 themselves. Offered by Adult Well-Being Services through The Senior Alliance. Funded by The Senior Alliance and United Way.  
**Contact:** Helen Streett at 734-629-5004. Call to confirm time and date, if coming for the first time.

CAREGIVERS - WESTLAND

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. the third Thursday of the month.  
**Location:** American House III, 35700 Hunter, Westland.  
**Details:** For residents of southern and western Wayne County who are caring for family members and/or friends age 60 and older, or who are over age 60 themselves. Offered by Adult Well-Being Services through The Senior Alliance. Funded by The Senior Alliance and United Way.  
**Contact:** Helen Streett at 734-629-5004. Call to confirm time and date, if coming for the first time.

WIDOWED MEN

**Time/Date:** 9 a.m. Thursdays.  
**Location:** Steve's Family Restaurant, 15800 Middlebelt, Livonia.  
**Details:** Widowed Friends, a peer group of the Archdiocese of Detroit, invites widowed men to meet with other widowed men for breakfast at 9 a.m. at Steve's Family Restaurant on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. Many topics are discussed including those that may be pertinent to your own situation. Also, ideas are presented to help you become involved in the activities of Widowed Friends.  
**Contact:** For more information, call Dick at 313-534-0399.

BURROUGHS OLD TIMERS

**Time/Date:** 11:30 a.m. on the last Friday of the month.  
**Location:** Plymouth Elks Club, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth.  
**Details:** Any former employees of Burroughs/Unisys are welcome to join us to socialize or renew acquaintances. There is no cost to join or to attend. A cash bar and a fish buffet are available but not mandatory.  
**Contact:** John Kusch 734-751-9765 or kuschjt@yahoo.com.

LIONS CLUB

**Time/Date:** 11:45 a.m. the second Monday of the month and at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Monday of the month.  
**Location:** Big Boy Restaurant at Wayne Road and Hunter in Westland.

**Details:** The Westland Lions Club holds lunch and dinner meetings on Mondays.

**Contact:** For more information, call 734-721-4216.

TOASTMASTERS

**Time/Date:** 7-8:30 p.m. every Thursday.  
**Location:** Warriors 3 Comics & Games, 35613 Michigan Ave., Wayne. Enter from parking lot entrance.  
**Details:** Wayne-Westland Easytalkers Toastmasters Club provides a supportive environment where members can overcome the fear of speaking in public. The membership is a diverse group from different walks of life.  
**Contact:** For more information, call Curt at 734-525-8445, Luddle at 734-414-0034 or visit westlandeasytalkers.toastmastersclubs.org.

FISH DIAL-A-RIDE

**Details:** Fish Dial-A-Ride of Western Wayne County is seeking volunteer drivers and phone messengers. Volunteer drivers, using their own vehicles, designate days, times, and areas they are willing to drive. Volunteer phone messengers arrange client rides with our volunteer drivers one day each week from the comfort of their home. Fish Dial-A-Ride of Western Wayne County is a not-for-profit community service that provides free door-to-door rides to non-emergency medical and other necessary appointments for senior and disabled residents of Garden City, Livonia, and Westland who are unable to drive and have no alternative transportation.  
**Contact:** For more information, call 888-660-2007 and leave a message.

EARTH ANGELS

**Details:** Earth Angels, a children's entertainment/performance non-profit group composed of kids ages 9-16 years old, is looking to fill spots. There are openings for girls ages 9-11 with at least two years of dance experience and boys ages 9-12 with no experience needed just an interest in performing. The group delivers a high energy show made up of choreographed dance routines spiced with theatrics and lip-synching to the great Oldies music of the '50s and '60s as well as some current fare.  
**Contact:** www.earthangelstour.org or by e-mail to eangel1986@comcast.net.

CITIZENS FOR PEACE

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month.  
**Location:** Unity of Livonia Church on Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster, Livonia.  
**Details:** The group is dedicated to working for creation of a U.S. Department of Peace. All are welcome.  
**Contact:** Colleen Mills at 734-425-0079.

SILVER STRINGS DULCIMER

**Time/Date:** 7-9 p.m. the first and third Thursday of the month.  
**Location:** Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City.

**Details:** Musicians and listeners are welcome to stop by and visit a traditional music jam. Acoustic instruments include hammered and mountain dulcimer, guitar, banjo, fiddle, harmonica, concertina, autoharp, recorder, pennywhistle, ukulele and upright bass.  
**Contact:** 734-482-2902, http://geocities.com/ssdsociety.

GARDEN CITY KIWANIS

**Time/Date:** 12:15 p.m. Thursdays.  
**Location:** Amantea Restaurant, 32777 Warren Road, Garden City.  
**Details:** Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to bettering the world one child and one community at a time. Guests and potential new members are welcome.

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## Atlas Oil Company names Evans president and COO

Sam Simon, chairman and CEO of Atlas Oil Company, announced the promotion of Michael Evans of Wayne to the newly created position of president and chief operating officer. Evans was executive vice-president, Real Estate and Business Development.



Michael Evans

With this move, Simon will transition to a more visionary role for Atlas Oil while shifting the day to day execution of the business to Evans. The change is effective immediately and will fully transition by Jan. 1, 2014.

"We are charting a path to move Atlas Oil Company forward to become the best in our industry," Simon said. "After 28 years of being involved in the day to day leadership of Atlas, I will now move to a more strategic and visionary role which is critical to our company's growth. Michael and I have been partners and business associates for the past 17 years. I have complete confidence in his ability to take over the reins as president and guide us into the exciting years

ahead."

Evans joined Atlas in the fall of 1996. Since then, he has held a number of executive positions, including heading up real estate development and sales, serving as commercial and industrial sales manager and as chief development officer of Atlas Oil Company. He has also been instrumental in completing several acquisitions for the company.

"I am honored to be named to this new role as president and COO of Atlas Oil," Evans said. "Under Sam's leadership, I have had the opportunity to develop my deep knowledge of the business. I look forward to helping us move forward as both a company and a respected corporate citizen in the communities and businesses we serve."

Evans' business career spans more than 24 years, including eight years with Electronic Data Systems (EDS) where he began as a financial analyst supporting General Motors Executive Staff business units. He was selected for many significant M&A opportunities culminating in the lead financial role for the negotiating team on EDS's spin off from General Motors (GM) in 1996.

Evans attended Western Michigan University and graduated with honors with a bachelor of business administration degree in finance and accounting. He is active in several professional organizations, including the Society of Independent Gasoline Marketers of America, National Association of Convenience Stores and the Michigan Petroleum Association.

He also served on the State of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality's Underground Storage Tank System Cleanup Advisory Board. Evans has also been active in community organizations, including the Harvest Temple Cass Corridor Outreach group, a feeding program for the homeless and the World Vision Organization.

Headquartered in Taylor, Michigan, Atlas maintains operational centers in Taylor and Niles, Mich.; Hammond, Ind.; Toledo, Ohio; La Feria, Texas; Monahans, Texas; Odessa, Texas; Victoria, Texas; Albuquerque, N.M.; Orlando, Fla. and Charlotte, N.C., and has satellite offices in Houston, Texas; Scottsdale, Ariz. and Minneapolis, Minn. For more information, visit [www.atlasoil.com](http://www.atlasoil.com)



General manager Joe Bauer mans the scissors to cut the ribbon signifying completion of a remodeling of the Red Lobster Restaurant in Westland.

## Westland Red Lobster shows off makeover

Members of Mayor William Wild's staff and representatives of the Westland Chamber of Commerce joined general manager Joe Bauer in a ribbon cutting ceremony last week to celebrate the newly remodeled Red Lobster Restaurant in Westland.

A part of the Westland community for 38 years, the restaurant, located on Wayne Road, north of Ford Road, underwent more than \$200,000 in interior and exterior renovations.

The restaurant remodel is part of Red Lobster's broader brand refresh, which also includes the introduction of wood-fire grills in the restaurants, an expansion of its fresh fish menu and non-seafood options and the largest core menu transformation in the brand's history.

In 2011, Red Lobster announced a plan to remodel all of its nearly 700 restaurants across the US and Canada to a design inspired by the seafaring village of Bar Harbor, Maine. The new design, first developed in 2005, was selected



Red Lobster general manager Joe Bauer accepts a certificate of recognition from Westland Mayor William Wild following a ribbon cutting ceremony last week at the newly remodeled restaurant.

after a rigorous, multi-year process that included guest focus groups, qualitative surveys and market testing.

The new design includes:

» New exterior features, such as a stone tower similar to architecture used throughout New England, ship lanterns to welcome guests after dark, and Adirondack-style chairs to encourage conversation and mingling outside.

» Expanded seating for large parties and energy-saving upgrades such as LED lighting, creating an inviting atmosphere for guests.

Among the exterior features are ship lanterns and window decals that spell out the types of seafood guests will

find inside. Also featured is new signage with a contemporized logo and updated lobster icon and a new modifier highlighting Red Lobster's signature fresh offerings.

In making the announcement, Red Lobster president Kim Lopdrup said, "Our guests are at the heart of everything we do, and while their love for our delicious seafood and friendly service has never been stronger, they've expressed a desire for a more up-to-date atmosphere. We listened to their feedback and are very proud to now offer guests this beautiful new setting in which to enjoy a refreshing seaside dining experience."

### BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

#### Co-Op hosts Halloween party

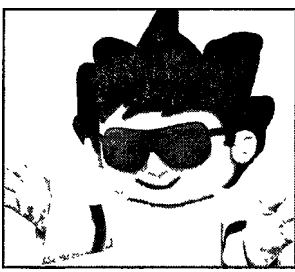
Rock Star Savers, the mascot for Co-op Services Credit Union's youth programs, invites families to join him for a Halloween Party and Parade at the Westland Shopping Center, 35000 Warren Road in Westland, Saturday, Oct. 26.

The credit union has teamed up with the Radio Disney Jr. Road Crew Show to sponsor the family fun event from noon to 2 p.m. in the Rock Star Play Area, near the J.C. Penney department store.

Children are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes and participate in the Costume Parade. There will be two parades to accommodate family schedules, with the first to begin at 12:15 p.m. and the second at 1:15 p.m. during the activity-filled event.

"We look forward to everyone having a great time and giving away a lot of fun prizes," said Lisa Fawcett, Co-op Services' vice president of marketing. "We've enjoyed our longtime partnership with the folks at Westland Shopping Center, which provides a wonderful venue for family events like this."

Headquartered in



Rock Star Savers is the mascot for Co-op Services Credit Union's youth programs.

Livonia, Co-op Services Credit Union has more than 50,000 members and maintains eight full-service branch offices in the Detroit metro area. Members also have access to more than 3,000 shared branches and 28,000 ATMs nationwide.

#### Village People reach milestone

July 2 was a big day for the five-year-old BNI Group Village People.

The business networking group reached \$1,000,000 in a rolling 12-month total for referrals passed to one another, according to Kelly M. Perkins, past president of the group.

"This is a huge achievement for the Village People, which is a group with approximately 30 active members, representing thirty different businesses," Perkins

said. "The Village People have made a commitment to helping one another succeed."

Under the direction of BNI (Business Networking International), the Village People meet weekly to provide referrals to one another, educate each other regarding their individual businesses and to support chapter members in developing their businesses.

While the Village People are a local group, BNI has chapters nationally and internationally.

"Thirty small businesses generating \$1 million worth of business in a year is outstanding," Perkins said. "The Village People are a very active BNI Chapter locally. I am proud to be associated with such professional, hard working people."

Perkins, owner and senior chief instructor of Guardian Martial Arts and Fitness in Garden City, served a year as president of the chapter and has been a five-year member.

For more information about membership in the Village People, contact Jack Walterscheid at 734-678-1785. Walterscheid, of Renaissance Roofing, began his tenure as chapter president on Oct. 1.

## Fun is good and good for business

When was the last time you had fun conducting business somewhere or with someone? Hopefully it was quite recently!

And chances are you're more likely to do business again with the organization or individual who provided the positive experience. That's according to the Retail Marketing Institute, whose study of customer retention reports that 70 percent of customers would go someplace else if it were "more fun" to do business elsewhere.

Fun is good — and good for business.

More specifically, fun is one of the keys to retaining customers. Sales and service expert Scott McKain addressed this topic in his Yes! Network seminar titled "All Business is Show Business: How to Consistently Create Outstanding Customer Experiences."



Clarity Newhouse  
A SUNNY NOTE

"The 'fun' statistic doesn't mean people want a standup comedian; it means they're looking for something different, something exciting or enjoyable. In other words, customers want an experience," Scott McKain said.

If instead of providing the experience customers want we just "satisfy" them, we risk a staggering loss of customer retention. According to a Xerox survey of repeat business, only 6 percent of "satisfied" customers returned. On the other hand, 66 percent of "highly" or "extremely" satisfied customers returned.

"What these stats

show," said Scott McKain, "is that trying to 'satisfy' customers is not setting the bar high enough. We have to raise the bar if we are going to get the repeat business that every company is after."

Let's have some fun — and a sunny day!

Clarity P.S. "People rarely succeed unless they have fun in what they are doing."

Dale Carnegie

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## OUR VIEWS

# Helping Goodfellows makes cents

If a journey of a thousand miles begins with just the first step, then surely the goal of collecting a million pennies begins with just the first one. We're hoping that each of our readers will take that first step and contribute that first penny, and if you can, a few more to help the Livonia Goodfellows make a real difference in the lives of those they touch.

On Saturday, Oct. 26, the *Observer* is joining forces with the Garden City Goodfellows in marking Make A Difference Day. The goal is to collect pennies—and other monetary contributions—to help the Garden City Goodfellows in the important work it does in the community.

To help, we are asking you to bring your pennies to Garden City High School, 6500 Middlebelt, in Garden City. Staff from the *Garden City Observer* will be there with members of the Goodfellows from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to receive your donations.

The Goodfellows have a long history of serving Garden City. Although the leadership and membership of the Goodfellows have changed in these many years, the goal of this organization has remained the same—to provide a bit of holiday cheer for Garden City's needy citizens in the area of food, toys and clothing.

During the 2012 Christmas season, the Garden City Goodfellows provided Christmas gifts and food for 141 families, including 337 children.

The Garden City Goodfellows have developed as an all-volunteer, 501(C)(3) non-profit organization. They work to make sure that every child in the area is remembered during the holiday season.

But that will only happen if you decide to join us to Make A Difference in the "Pennies from Heaven" campaign.

When the money runs out, so does the help. Your pennies can help ensure that your neighbors, your friends, the children down the block all have a brighter holiday season.

But it all starts with just the first penny. Won't you make it yours?

## Look both ways before hiking state speed limits

Legislation to be introduced in Lansing this fall to increase speed limits, including to as high as 85 mph on some sections of expressway, should be considered dead on arrival... so that more drivers do not arrive at the hospital that way.

For years, we have been told that speed kills. It was the justification for all those speeding tickets we've been handed. It was the justification for all those hikes in insurance rates when we earned points on our driver's licenses.

Now, state Sens. Rick Jones, R-Grand Ledge, and Tom Casperson, R-Escanaba, are proposing to raise speed limits as a safety improvement.

"For decades, it's been proven that if you post the proper speed limit, it's safer, you have fewer accidents and have better traffic flow," Jones said of his plan to draft the bill for lawmakers to consider this fall.

A Michigan State Police spokesman pointed out that in some sections of expressway where the speed limit has been lowered to 55 mph, those who follow the limit "create chaos."

These points may be well taken, but the most horrific accidents we typically see involve expressway crossovers ending in head-on collisions. At a 70 mph speed limit, cars on opposite sides of the expressway close on each other at 140 mph. At 85 mph, that differential speed would be a mind-bending 170 mph.

The best argument for increasing speeds comes from Livingston County Road Commission Manager Mike Craine, who points out that different speeds driven by different drivers on the same side of the expressway causes problems, including lane changes and weaving.

But increasing the maximum may only increase the problem. There will always be speeders, who then may be going 90 or 95 mph.

And law-abiding drivers will then be going up to 85 mph. But we doubt that drivers who now putter along the expressway at 60 mph will ever be convinced to drive at speeds they're not comfortable with. Nor should they.

Think of elderly drivers, new drivers and parents with cars full of kids who just want to take it easy when they are on the road. Do we tell them they have to zoom along at 85 mph, or stay off the expressway? Are we going to post signs on the entrance ramps that say "Speed demons only"?

We'd be more convinced this was really an effort to improve safety by limiting the differential speed if the proposal was to raise the minimum from the current 55 mph. Or to review those sections of road where the speed limit has been lowered to determine whether that lowered speed is appropriate.

The senators argue they want to eliminate speed traps and increases in insurance rates. That's fine, but those concerns could be addressed in other ways.

Some other states have increased speeds, proponents argue. It seems to us that lawmakers should study how well that works out before moving ahead on such a proposal. Do higher speeds improve safety, or just the opposite?

On this proposal, legislators should look both ways and proceed cautiously... just like we should drive.

## COMMUNITY VOICE

### With Halloween coming up, what is your favorite scary movie?

We asked this question at the Plymouth District Library.



"I'm not into scary movies. ... I saw one on the Syfy Channel the other day. It was pretty good."

Chris Noyes  
Wayne



"The Conjuring. A good movie."

Diamond Taylor  
Canton Township



(Holds up DVD of Cracker) "To me it was scary. ... It's pretty weird."

Nick Malamis  
Livonia



"I really don't watch very many scary movies. I like the classics like *Halloweentown* on the Disney Channel. ... I'm not much of a scary movie kind of person."

Erin Meyers  
Plymouth Township

## Why the no vote

Why I won't be voting for the millage in Wayne this November:

» In the last five years, the company I worked at for 14 years closed. I had not had a raise in four years and my 401K tanked. I took a job for \$20,000 less in spite of my 23 years experience.

» The value of my home declined. All my utilities have gone up; the price of gasoline has gone up, and the price of groceries has gone up.

» I'm paying a special assessment for street lights.

» I'm still driving my 1999 car.

» The city of Wayne has, a new police station, new police cars and a K-9 unit, has merged with Westland, which was supposed to be a big cost savings, and paid a grant writer \$60,000 to bring money into the city.

I was able to survive the recession because I live within my means. When times were good, we paid off our home and put money away for the future. Being lifelong Michiganders, we didn't expect them to last forever. We are already paying for the people who lost their homes and the banks and auto companies who were bailed out. Expecting us to pay even more for basic city services like police and fire is unreasonable and threatening us with loss of protection every time they are short of funds is just wrong. It's time for the city to live within its means like the responsible citizens we have been.

Lori Nelson  
Wayne

## Vote for Kevin Coleman

I recently had the pleasure of having a chat with Kevin Coleman who is running for Westland City Council. What a wonderful young man he is with ideas and someone without stagnant political smiles. He will add honesty, integrity and more enthusiasm to the Westland City Council.

We need someone like this so please vote for him.

Diana Hage  
Westland

## No place for an EM

Having a law appointing an emergency manager to replace elected officials is the greatest affront to the concept of democracy in the United States.

This is a nation that bases itself on the idea of representative government. It is a nation that while we all believe could do better, encourages all citizens to cast their votes for people to represent them in government.

Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox wrote a letter to the editor of the *Detroit News* saying she thinks we need an emergency manager to be appointed to run our county. I am appalled.

Michigan voters turned out in droves last year, voting for a proposal to overturn the emergency manager law, only to find a lopsided partisan legislature working into the wee hours of a lame-duck-session in December to just turn around and pass another emergency manager law assigning even more power (and salary) over elected representatives in Michigan than even before.

I have attended County Commission meetings, listened to the talking heads on radio, and had to see Commissioner Cox at meetings, hoping I would be able to detect even the slightest glimmer of a profound idea from her as a member of the commission.

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As nearly the lone Republican on the commission, I think all I hear is her frustration being unable to advance her unproductive agenda, presiding as Vice Chair of the Commission. I wasn't surprised seeing her cast her vote against the new County Ethics Ordinance, saying it didn't go far enough?

It has been said voters have short memories. Not this one. I am a citizen, living in Wayne County, a veteran of foreign wars, and a believer in the concept of representative government. I do not believe in one where appointed "managers" have greater powers and authority than those elected by the people I live with in this community. Commissioner Cox, thank you for showing your true colors for us all, and stating for your stand against a representative way of government.

R. Burnett  
Livonia

## Greed and lies

I read an interesting, and very biased, article on the editorial page of one of our daily papers.

The editor wrote that the Affordable Care Act will hurt Michigan businesses. He cites two corporate tycoons—the first said he would fire workers and the second will not hire full-time employees. Now, remember, these are two of the CEOs who were given a fortune in your tax dollars by Rick Snyder and the tea party—\$4 billion and counting. Snyder assured us that due to this giveaway, we would be in the land of milk and honey. Surprise!

This did not happen because they pocketed the money, honey. To add insult to injury, they are now planning to put the screws to the very people whose taxes were raised to pay for Snyder's folly.

Greed, lies and right-wing extremism—these words should be incorporated in the tea party anthem and sung at the next Republican convention.

James Huddleston  
Canton

## It's the law

Republican Sen. Ted Cruz of Texas put on his ego-driven arrogant and self-centered political promotion for 20-plus hours on the Senate floor. Why? Because he is opposed to the Congress-passed and Supreme Court-upheld Affordable Care Act (ACA).

He threatens to shut down federal government in order to de-fund the ACA. In this exer-

cise of anarchy, he reminds us of a little frightened boy throwing a temper tantrum because he cannot get his way.

This is a skit worthy of *Saturday Night Live*, except it is costing lives of Americans citizens while Cruz and his tea party followers have a hissy fit over existing law. The issue for Republicans is allowing Ted Cruz to quote his affection for White Castle hamburgers and Green Eggs and Ham, while some 50 million American citizens do not have health care.

To my fellow Republicans, get a grip. The ACA is the law of the land. What you are doing under the cover of party purity is destroying the future access of health care to your fellow citizens. This stance has no political, ethical or moral foundation. The recent antics of Ted Cruz just proved it.

Gerald Maxey  
Farmington Hills

## Redistricting reform edit right on

I was truly shocked to read your op-ed piece on redistricting reform; it was awesome. A respected right-wing newspaper opening up dialogue that could remove GOP power and put an end to the tail wagging the dog? True representation of citizens. Wow, that's heavy stuff.

Of course, we all know there's no way the GOP will give this one second of serious thought. But thank you for breaching the subject.

Since you get to interview potential Republican candidates for office, do you think you can ask them where they stand on this so it's on the record? And then be bold enough to call them out and let your readers know when they don't keep their word? I'm willing to bet they'll all be for it until they get in office. Any takers?

Mitch Dubanik  
Livonia

## Give Obamacare a chance

When an auto company recalls a million cars because of defects, the general public hardly blinks. If a pharmaceutical company sells a drug harmful to individual users, they recall the drug and continue making other products. Food processors have inadvertently poisoned people. Trains and planes can be dangerous. And the public, unless personally affected, yawns.

The Federal Government rolls out an enterprise involving billions of dollars, thousands of workers, a newly created electronic network in an effort to accommodate millions of uninsured Americans by bringing them together with dozens of insurance companies. The troublesome glitches invariably encountered in any newborn innovation are minor compared to vicious efforts to sabotage the program by propaganda.

The Affordable Health Care Act was declared a failure before its first day of operation ended. But it will survive, wounded and repaired, perhaps, and millions of people will enjoy the benefits.

And, when Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia recently argued that a \$3.6 million political contribution by a single donor is not "a heck of a lot of money" in today's political environment, he pretty well indicated where most of us stand in the eyes of Republican leaders.

Patrick Downey  
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# Unsuspected dangers can be found in our homes

Most people never realize the dangers lurking inside their homes. We go about our daily lives doing routine activities that are necessary for things to run smoothly. We are surrounded by chemicals and toxins that are the link behind most of the sickness and disease that is becoming so prevalent today.

Thirty years ago it was rare to hear of people having ADD/ADHD, Alzheimer's, allergies, arthritis, asthma, autism, cancer in the family, diabetes, digestion problems, eczema, psoriasis, rosacea, fibromyalgia, lupus, or multiple sclerosis. These are all directly linked to toxins we are exposed to day after day. Over time, these toxins break down and compromise our immune, ner-



**Marilyn Overly**  
GUEST COLUMNIST

vous, and endocrine systems. That's when these diseases begin to emerge. Dr. Walter J Crinnion, Environmental Health Specialist, affirms these facts in his study of this relationship.

We think of our homes as a safe haven, a place where our life happens and our family grows. We go there to rest, relax and recharge. We never think about exposure to products that make life easier being laden with dangerous toxins. Most of these cannot be seen, nor do we smell them, but our bodies react to them in the various

forms of health maladies listed above.

Various studies have been done that verify our home air quality is filled with dangerous toxic gases far greater than the outside air. Consider this as you walk down the cleaning aisle at your grocery store. There is a very strong presence of chemicals in the air. These are called out gases coming from sealed containers.

### Dangerous ingredients

Many personal care products are laden with dangerous ingredients, including baby products that most of us thought were safe for our precious little ones. Take a look at the ingredient label on your baby shampoo. Look them up on the Internet and find out for

yourself how very dangerous they are. Most personal care products contain ingredients like formaldehyde (Q-15, or quaternium-15).

Everything we come in contact with has an effect on our bodies. Whether we breathe it in through inhaling, or absorb it through our skin when in contact with the substance, or ingest it through something we eat, our surroundings can either be volatile or friendly.

Education is the key. We need to be informed to protect our future health and that of our families. Getting back to nature and moving away from synthetics and toxins will help safeguard our future. It is within our power to step away from traditional ways of doing things and

to choose better alternatives.

In some cases going green is a little more pricey. But that doesn't always have to be the case. By making changes in our homes we can lighten the toxic load on our bodies to live a healthier safer future.

### Naturally based

Simply changing to naturally based household products many have seen incredible results in their daily health. Many people with allergies and asthma issues finally see relief and control. Problems with eczema, psoriasis, and rosacea improved dramatically by changing to naturally based personal care products. Some have seen diseases, such as MS or lupus, go into remission simply by mak-

ing their homes free of chemicals and toxins by going green.

The choice is up to us. Our future lives can be free of crippling diseases, if we use wisdom in making better choices. Of course, there's no way of totally eradicating all chemicals and toxins in our lives, but we can make smart choices to improve the direction things have gone.

Research these things for yourself by Googling questions on the Internet. There are hundreds of articles and research information right there for the curious. A smart choice would be a very affordable way to totally convert your home to naturally based products.

Marilyn Overly is a Garden City resident.



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## Charitable gift-giving makes financial sense, too

Americans are the most generous people on Earth and many open their hearts during the holiday season to help those less fortunate.

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Rick Bloom  
MONEY MATTERS

In addition, there are legitimate charities that don't do a good job when it comes to managing their affairs.

Either way, when you make a charitable contribution, make sure that the money is going for a charitable cause.

At a minimum, make sure the charity is legit. Using websites such as [www.charitynavigator.org](http://www.charitynavigator.org) or [www.give.org](http://www.give.org) will help research a charity. These websites offer a wealth of information, including how much money is actually going for charitable purposes versus administrative fees.

Many people believe the only way to give to a charity is to write a check, however, that is not the case. One effective and tax-efficient way of donating to charity is to give appreciated securities. If you have a mutual fund or a stock that you have a gain in, consider donating that, as opposed to writing a check.

If you donate appreciated securities, your charitable contribution is the fair market value of the investment. In addition, you receive another tax break because you do not have to pay tax on the gain. Neither you nor the charitable organization pays tax on that money.

Another option to consider is to use a donor advised fund. These types of funds allow you to donate money, including appreciated securities. The key is you do not have to name the charity for the money. You can set up donor advised fund, put cash or appreciated securities in and then take time to decide how you want that money to be distributed. Even if the money is distributed a year or two down the road, you still get a charitable contribution for the full amount when the money is donated.

Companies such as Fidelity, Vanguard, T. Rowe Price and Schwab all offer donor advised funds.

Another option, which I have mentioned in the past, is for seniors who are over 70½ to donate their required minimum distribution. Particularly for someone who is generous in nature and who is not itemizing, this is a very good way to donate to charity.

As we enter the charitable giving season, it is important to keep your guard up.

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## Work-home life balance: What's that?

As you rush out of your home each day heading out to work, school, carpooling duties or any number of other responsibilities that keep you busy have you ever thought about your work-home life balance?

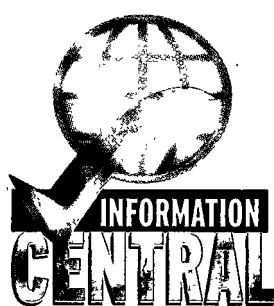
With more Americans working more than one job, caring for children and aging parents, or just trying to keep their head above crowding financial responsibilities, maintaining a balance between work and home life often seems impossible.

According to the July 2013 Bureau of Labor Statistics, American Time Use Survey report, "employed persons ages 25 to 54, who live in households with children under 18, spend their time on an average workday in the following way ... 8.8 hours working or in work-related activities, 7.6 hours sleeping, 2.5 hours doing leisure and sports activities, and 1.2 hours caring for others, including children." In addition, 33 percent of single job holders and 57 percent of multiple job holders work weekend days, including holidays.

In addition, studies by the Center for Economic and Policy Research show that compared to our European counterparts, Americans tend to work more hours and take fewer vacations. Casualties of this life style can result in fatigue, lost time with friends family and possibly increased expectations from employers.

Combined with technology and the use of cell phones, texting, emailing, twittering and skyping maintaining walls between work and personal time is nearly impossible.

Armed with this information, just how can you begin to achieve a better work home life



balance? According to the staff at the Mayo Clinic, it may be a juggling act, but things can improve by incorporating even a few of the following practices in your work life.

» Track your time - pay attention to your work-related and personal activities.

» Take advantage of your options - explore flextime, compress workweek or scheduling flexibility.

» Learn to say no - done respectfully it will allow you to focus your energies where you need to.

» Leave work at work - create boundaries between home and work - even if that means turning off electronic devices for a period of time

» Manage your time - do what needs to be done and forget the rest.

» Bolster your support time - join forces with co-workers who can cover for you and vice versa - when family conflicts arise.

» Nurture yourself - maintain a healthy diet, exercise and schedule in some "me" time

To learn more about providing balance in your life pick up a copy of Tony Dungy's *Uncommon: Finding Your Path to Significance*, Elaine St. James's *Simplify Your Work Life: Ways to Change the Way You Work So You Have More Time to Live*, Milo Sindlell's *The End of Work as You Know It: 8 Strategies to Redefine Work in Your Terms*, Ilene J. Philipson's *Married to the Job: Why We Live to Work and What We Can Do*

About It or Joel Levey's *Living in Balance: a Dynamic Approach for Creating Harmony and Wholeness in a Chaotic World*. And if you can't find time to sit down and read, pick up Stephen Covey's audio book, *Balancing Work & Family*.

As your family, interests and work life change, creating work-life balance is a continuous process. A one size fits all approach is not the way. Find what works best for you and move toward your goal.

For more information about how you can find your work home life balance stop by the library or call the Reference Desk at 734-326-6123 or visit us at [www.westlandlibrary.org](http://www.westlandlibrary.org). Or take advantage of any of the dozens of programs offered at the library each month. All programs are free.

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**Halloween Family Storytime, Oct. 26, 10 a.m.** All ages with a caregiver - We invite you to wear your costumes to this Halloween Family Storytime. Enjoy 20 minutes of Halloween stories, rhymes, and songs followed by a simple craft. Then we invite you to trick-or-treat at several stations throughout the library. Open to all children with a caregiver, no registration required.

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Information Central was compiled by Marilyn Kwik, head of information services. The William P. Faust Public Library is at 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland. For more information, call 734-326-6123 or visit [westlandlibrary.org](http://westlandlibrary.org).



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# Hillsdale linebacker is all business

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

As a preferred walk-on linebacker who earned a scholarship, Hillsdale College's football program certainly has one of a kind in Devin Moynihan.

The Livonia Churchill High grad, now a senior, is one of the big reasons why the Chargers (4-3, 4-1) are once again in the thick of the North Division race in the Great Lakes Athletic Conference heading to Saturday night's showdown against host Saginaw Valley State (6-1, 6-0).

The four-year starter, a two-time honorable mention GLIAC choice, is enjoying another banner season as he ranks second on the team in total tackles with 29 solo and 37 assists (to go along with 6.5 tackles for loss).

Moynihan, who stands 5 feet, 11 inches and weighs 217 pounds, is coming off an eight-tackle performance in a 45-38 win last week at Ferris State. He also



Moynihan

had a season-best 10 solo and seven assists in a 27-17 win over Northern Michigan.

"I always make jokes when I go back and talk to high school kids and say, 'You don't have to be the biggest, the fastest, or strongest guy on the field, but you definitely have the most heart,'" Moynihan said. "I think that is definitely part of it. If you don't a lot of heart ... your body can only take so much."

### Fundamentals

Moynihan, who as a junior led Hillsdale with 101 tackles (ninth in the GLIAC), gets away with his lack of size by employing sound technique and football acumen.

"Devin's an undersized kid that's not the fastest guy on the field," said Hillsdale head coach Keith Otterbein, whose team is

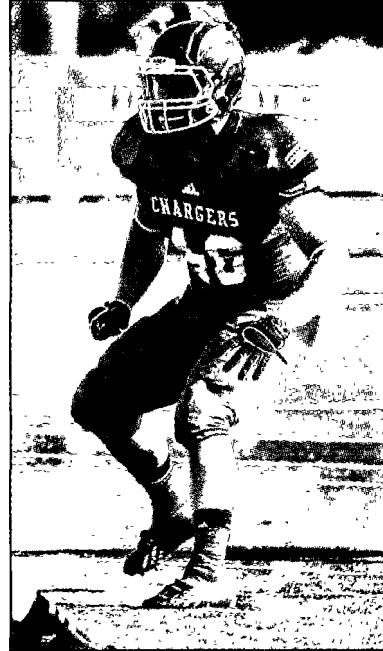
riding a three-game winning streak. "He's got to be a fundamentally sound guy because of the physical tools that he's over-coming. He's not the biggest linebacker in the league and he's not the fastest linebacker in the league, so he's able to perform at the level that he does based on great technique and the ability to read fast and to play with football speed."

Despite being a walk-on, Moynihan made an impression as a freshman finishing with 51 tackles in 10 games, including 10 stops in a break-out performance against Northwood.

Once Moynihan got into the lineup, he never came out as he parlayed a good freshman season by making 96 tackles with a season-high 13 against Ohio Dominican during his sophomore year.

He has also been also a valuable member of Hillsdale's spe-

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Linebacker Devin Moynihan is second on the Hillsdale College team in tackles. PATRICK HECKENLIVELY | HILLSDALE COLLEGE

## White's 1st NFL catch

Myles White (Livonia Stevenson), fresh off the practice squad, made his first NFL catch for nine yards Sunday in the host Green Bay Packers' 31-13 victory over the Cleveland Browns at Lambeau Field.

## Walker gets MIAA honor

For the first time in her career, Adrian College senior Kristi Walker (Livonia Churchill) was named Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Specialty Player of the Week in women's volleyball (ending Oct. 20). The 5-foot-5 Walker had a total of 59 digs (4.5 per set) in leading the Bulldogs (9-14, 4-9) to a 2-1 record in MIAA play for the week.

## Schmid top goalkeeper

For the first time in his career, Madonna University senior goalkeeper Marcel Schmid (Stuttgart, Germany) was named Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Men's Soccer Defensive Player of the Week (Oct. 14-20).

The Crusaders' starting goalie in all 13 matches this season, Schmid led MU to a 1-0-1 week that included a 3-0 shut-out of WHAC rival Marygrove College. Schmid also matched his career-high with nine saves in the week's first match, a 1-1 tie at Rochester College, before stopping six shots against Marygrove for his fourth shutout of the season. He owns a 0.99 goals against average in 13 matches.

## MU women golf honors

Madonna University junior Chelsea Collura (Riverview Gabriel Richard) and freshman Natalie Blazo (Dearborn Divine Child) were named to the six-member All-Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference first team in women's golf.

It was the third straight honor for Collura, who had an 80.6 average per 18 holes, while it was the second for Blazo, who averaged 81.

Freshman Ayla Bogie (Clio) and sophomore Holly Laginess (Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central) were named honorable mention All-WHAC team.

### COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

# Madonna's Freeman becomes terminator

## Leads front row attack for No. 4-ranked Crusaders

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Emilie Freeman would be the first to admit that as a young volleyball player she had trouble walking and chewing gum at the same time.

But the long-legged 6-foot-3 middle hitter for the unbeaten Madonna University women's volleyball team has slowly transformed into one of the most feared front row attackers in the NAIA ranks.

The Livonia native and 2009 Lutheran High Westland grad currently leads the 32-0 Crusaders, ranked No. 4 nationally, with 407 total kills (3.84 per set) with an impressive .388 hitting percentage.

That's a far cry from the mere 13 total kills she recorded as a freshman when she was obviously still learning the ropes.

"I've definitely come a long way," said Freeman, who also has a team-best 15 solo and 107 block assists. "I just know - and you can ask a lot of people that knew me as an earlier volleyball player - I had lot of improvement to do."

As a sophomore, Freeman became a contributor with 235 total kills and a .204 hitting percentage.

### Junior success

Her breakout season, however, came last year as she finished with 385 total kills, while bumping up her hitting percentage to .339 en route to all-conference honors.

"It's the transition, no doubt," MU coach Jerry Abraham said. "When she came up she was very raw, but I saw a lot of talent in her, of course. I saw a lot of upside, but she was extremely raw. It was the transition and speed of the game that have



Freeman

grown by leaps and bounds. And it's the confidence, too, and playing at a high level, and being a go-to player. That's something she did not have as a freshman, obviously. But she's really grown into a very mature, seasoned player that plays with tremendous drive and passion for the game."

Freeman, ironically, lives just five minutes away from the MU campus. She was exposed to Madonna's volleyball program by her parents, Kemper and Barbara, having attended summer camps since age 11.

It was a perfect fit even for a Lutheran at a Catholic university.

### Going to MU

"I'm not Catholic, but I still carry some of the same morals, but I obviously came here for volleyball, which is cool because I'm so close," Freeman said. "I never saw myself ending up here, but I'm so happy with how everything worked out."

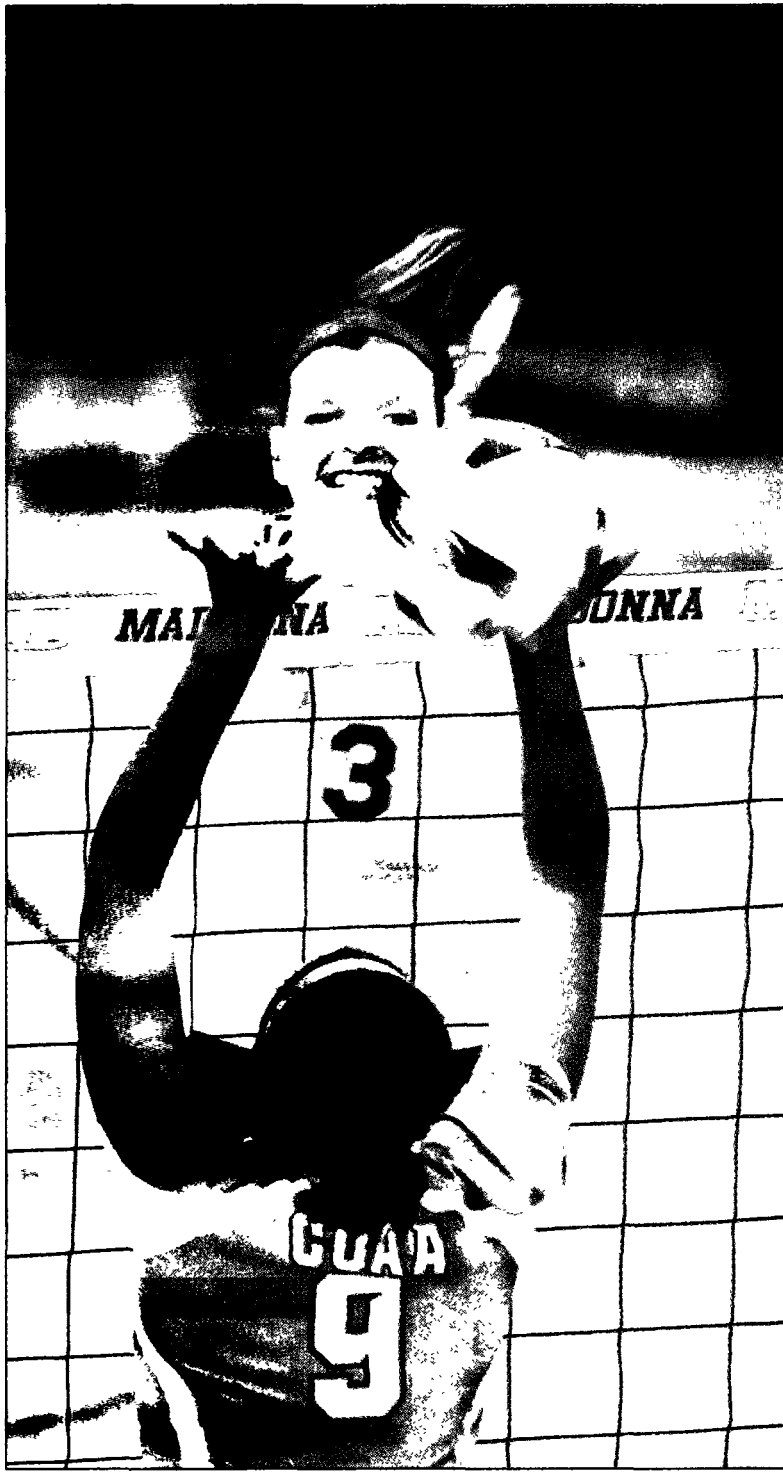
"I always wanted to go into education so I was looking at other schools in regards to that, but when the thought of playing volleyball at the college level came about to me, I definitely got more interested in it and obviously looked at Madonna. It's close and it has an amazing volleyball program, top of the line. And they also have a great education program so it was perfect fit for me."

At Lutheran Westland, Freeman earned seven letters while also participating in track and basketball.

As a junior, she helped the Warriors to a runner-up finish in the state Class D volleyball finals.

On that team, Freeman played along side Becca Re-

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Livonia native and Lutheran High Westland grad Emilie Freeman (3) has been a force in the middle this season for Madonna University. TBSPIRITPIX.COM

# Warriors' Wisner reigns as MIAC girls champion



Lutheran High Westland sophomore Jenna Wisner was the MIAC girls individual champion in 19:47.9. ANN ESPINOZA

Lutheran High Westland's Jenna Wisner was the top individual finisher in Friday's Michigan Independent Athletic Conference girls cross country meet held at Nankin Mills.

But despite Wisner's first-place finish, Auburn Hills Oakland Christian edged host Lutheran High Westland for the title, 44-49.

Rounding out the six-school field was Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett (79), Ann Arbor Greenhills (85), Southfield Christian (122) and Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest (125).

Wisner, a sophomore, covered the 5,000-meter course in 19 minutes, 49.7 seconds. Plymouth Christian senior Terra Crown was runner-up in 20:27.6.

Other Lutheran Westland finishers included Alana Hill, ninth (21:58.3); Michelle Greening, 10th (22:05.7); Allison Johnson, 17th (23:21.5) and Noelle Pierce, 25th (24:02.0).

The Warriors' non-scorers were Annalee Kuhr and Rachel Wiggins, who took 29th and 30th, respectively, with times of 24:34.9 and 24:42.6.

On the boys side, Ann Arbor Greenhills captured the team title with 45 points followed by Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest (65), Auburn Hills Oakland Christian (77), Taylor Baptist Park (123), Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett (138), Lutheran Westland (144), Southfield Christian (168), Birmingham Roeper (176) and Sterling Heights Parkway Christian (209).

Novi Franklin Road Christian senior Jacob Weaver was the individual winner in 17:38.0.

Junior Hunter Roedel was fourth overall for the Warriors in 18:16.5.

Other Lutheran Westland finishers included Ian O'Banion, 30th (20:13.0); Weslee Warren, 32nd (20:15.4); Matthew Parent, 49th (21:52.0); Garrett Kempf, 51st (22:00.1); Owen Tague, 59th (22:46.9); and Josiah Massey, 65th (23:16.0).

### Blazers 5th in Catholic League

Livonia Ladywood wound up fifth in Saturday's Catholic League Division 1-2 girls

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PREP SOFTBALL

# 'Home' is where he wants to be

Former MU coach White takes over for Canton varsity girls

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

As far as Al White was concerned, he was retired from coaching softball.

But there was just one job the longtime Madonna University women's softball coach might scrap those plans for — to take the helm at Canton High School.

White said, "It definitely is the only job I would have applied for," said White, a Canton resident since the mid-1970s and with the Crusaders for a quarter century (first as a pitching coach, since 1999 as head coach). "There's a lot of talent that goes through that area."

"And I've lived in Canton now for almost 39 years, and I thought I could give something back to those girls. And try to prepare them to play at the next level."

White, who wouldn't disclose his age only to say coaching keeps him "young at heart," will take over the program



Former Madonna University women's softball coach Al White is now the girls varsity softball coach at Canton High School. MADONNA UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS

from Jim Arnold, who was not retained following the 2013 season.

"I had the utmost respect for Jim Arnold," White said. "I thought he was a fantastic coach. He always had his kids prepared. And no matter what type of girls he got, year in and year out (his) was one of the best programs around. No doubt."

White — owner of a 513-268 record at MU, along with three trips to nationals in the past four years — said he was watching his granddaughters play during a tournament in July when

a Canton softball parent planted the seed about there being a coaching vacancy with the softball team.

Someone else called his wife with the same idea. After letting the possibility of coaching in his backyard percolate for a month, he decided to apply.

"Really and truly I think it is a challenge," White said. "I'm excited about it. As you know, there's a lot of talent there."

"He (Arnold) lost six seniors and four of them were starters. We definitely got to replace

those four kids. I'm just going in there with the attitude of just being aggressive, playing hard. Knowing what your responsibilities are."

Helping on the Canton sidelines will be former Chief and Eastern Michigan University softball player Lauren Delapaz (who briefly coached last season at Livonia Stevenson) and White's son, Salem alum Curt White.

White minced no words when asked if Delapaz would be groomed to take over the Canton program in a few years.

"You better believe it," White said. "That's what (co-athletic director) Sue (Heinzman) asked me, she wanted to know what my plans were, what I was going to do with Lauren. I said, hopefully, in three to four years she can take this program and take to the next step."

"I have a lot of confidence in her. I've known her for about 10 years. I recruited her (for Madonna) when she was in high school but I knew she was going to go to Eastern."

But first, there's work to do getting ready for the 2014 Canton season and Al White can't wait to get started.

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# No. 7 Davenport escapes MU upset bid in 2 overtimes

The Madonna University women's soccer team led No. 7-ranked Davenport for nearly 85 minutes on Saturday, but a late goal in regulation and one in double overtime gave the Panthers a 4-3 come-from-behind victory in Grand Rapids.

The Crusaders never trailed in the match until the final goal by Davenport's Lizzie Paul — part of a hat trick for Paul — came in the 104th minute of the match.

Davenport improves to 13-1 overall and 6-0 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference, while MU falls to 7-7-1 and 3-3.

Junior Katlyn Krysiak got the Crusaders on the board just 1:31 into the match when her shot beat Michelle Marcus in close for a 1-0 lead and her seventh goal of the season.

Senior Liliana Serratos made it 2-0 in favor of MU at the 15:58 mark and beat Marcus after weaving her way through a host of Davenport defenders for her third goal of the season.

Paul scored her first goal in the 40th minute after being persistent inside the 18-yard box to make it 2-1 at intermission.

Krysiak gave the Crusaders a two-goal lead just over four minutes (49:03) into the second half when she deflected the ball off of a clearance and finished into a wide open net for a 3-1 lead.

Paul made it a one-goal affair again just 15 seconds later, taking the restart and beating MU goalkeeper Blaire Schmalenberg from 25 yards out to cut the deficit to 3-2.

Davenport tied the match, 3-3, in the 87th minute when Thelma Gylfadottir took advantage of a MU miscue and as Schmalenberg came off of her line. Gylfadottir was able to simply tap the ball past a pair of MU players and the ball rolled into an open net.

In overtime, the Panthers had a trio of chances in the first extra period, but one was whistled for being offside, while Schmalenberg stopped a pair of shots.

The Crusaders had a chance to win the match just as the second OT started when junior Ashley Parent sent a shot in, but Marcus was able to snare the shot and keep the match tied.

Paul ended the suspense in the 104th minute after her initial shot rang off the crossbar. The loose ball came to Gylfadottir, who was able to control the rebound and send the ball back out to Paul. She fired the ball back in and got the ball past Schmalenberg for the match winner.

The Panthers led 2-4 in total shots and held a 15-5 lead in shots on goal.

Marcus made two saves, while Schmalenberg made a career-high 11 saves in the loss.

## PREP FOOTBALL GRID PICKS

Week 9	Emons	O'Meara	Smith	Wright
Last week	8-5	7-6	6-7	6-7
Overall	77-25	77-25	62-40	72-30

All games start at 7 p.m. unless noted

Friday, Oct. 25	Thurston	Thurston	Thurston	Thurston
Redford Union (1-7) at Thurston (5-3)	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin	Garden City
Franklin (3-5) at Garden City (4-4)	Churchill	Churchill	Stevenson	Stevenson
Churchill (2-6) at Stevenson (4-4)	John Glenn	John Glenn	John Glenn	John Glenn
John Glenn (5-3) at A.A. Huron (1-7)	Belleville	Belleville	Belleville	Belleville
Wayne (0-8) at Belleville (5-3)	Clarenceville	Clarenceville	Clarenceville	Clarenceville
Bishop Foley (6-2) at Clarenceville (8-0)	Canton	Canton	Canton	Canton
A.A. Pioneer (3-5) at Canton (7-1)	Grand Blanc	Grand Blanc	Grand Blanc	Grand Blanc
Plymouth (5-3) at Grand Blanc (6-2)	Salem	Salem	Salem	Salem
Royal Oak (4-4) at Salem (2-6)	Harrison	Harrison	Stoney Creek	Harrison
Harrison (7-1) at Stoney Creek (6-2)	Farmington	Farmington	Farmington	Farmington
Farmington (1-7) at Pontiac (0-8)	Luth. Westland	Allen	Allen	Allen
Saturday, Oct. 26				
Luth. West. (2-6) at Detroit Allen (5-2), 1 p.m.				

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**PREP FOOTBALL**  
Friday, Oct. 25  
Churchill at Stevenson, 7 p.m.  
Franklin at Garden City, 7 p.m.  
John Glenn at A.A. Huron, 7 p.m.  
Wayne at Belleville, 7 p.m.  
Bishop Foley at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.  
Saturday, Oct. 26  
Luth. Westland at Det. Allen, 1 p.m.  
**GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**  
Thursday, Oct. 24  
RU at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.  
(CHSL A-B Playoffs at Marian)  
Ladywood vs. A.A. Richard, 5 p.m.  
Saturday, Oct. 26  
Bloom. Hills Tourney, 8:30 a.m.  
KLA Gold Tournament at Brighton H.S., 8:30 a.m.  
KLA Silver Tournament at Novi H.S., 8:30 a.m.  
**PREP CROSS COUNTRY**  
(MHSAA Regionals)  
Saturday, Oct. 26  
Division 1, 4 at Willow Metro, 10 a.m.

Div. 2 at Lake Erie Metropark, 10:45 a.m.  
**GIRLS SWIMMING**  
Thursday, Oct. 24  
Northville at Stevenson, 6 p.m.  
Churchill at Wayne, 6:30 a.m.  
Franklin at Canton, 6:30 p.m.  
Churchill at Plymouth, 6:30 p.m.  
Ladywood vs. B.H. Cranbrook at Livonia Comm. Rec. Ctr., 7 p.m.  
**COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL**  
Saturday, Oct. 26  
(MCCAA Tourney at Jackson)  
Schoolcraft vs. Grand Rapids, 10 a.m.  
MCCAA semifinal round, noon.  
MCCAA championship, 2 p.m.  
**MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**  
Friday, Oct. 25  
UM-Dearborn at Madonna, 2 p.m.  
Saturday, Oct. 26  
Lakeland (Ohio) at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.  
**WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**  
Saturday, Oct. 26  
Cornerstone at Madonna, 2 p.m.  
TBA — time to be announced.

## MEET

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cross country meet held at Kensington Metropark.

Warren Regina, led by individual winner Cassie Bloch's first-place time of 20:27.14, captured the team title with 29 points.

Rounding out the six-school field was defending champion Dearborn Divine Child (52), Pontiac Notre

Dame Prep (87), Farmington Hills Mercy (103), Ladywood (135) and Birmingham Marian (147).

Freshman Catherine McLaurin was Ladywood's top finisher in ninth (21:12.22) followed by Sarah Wilson, 24th (22:33.41); Kat Gaffka, 28th (22:48.5); Pilar Furlong, 33rd (23:55.3); Kayla Morgan, 40th (25:31.05); Rachel Rykwalder, 41st (27:01.29); and Julie Laabs, 42nd (27:48.85).

## MOYNIHAN

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cial teams.

### Very responsible

"He was always a pretty serious kid," Otterbein said. "From the time we got him he has been pretty down to business, just real serious. You try and lighten him up a little bit, but he is certainly a very serious young man. From the beginning that serious attitude has demonstrated a great work ethic, personal responsibility ... all the traits that has allowed him to really to grow and blossom as a football player, but also the stuff he's doing off the field."

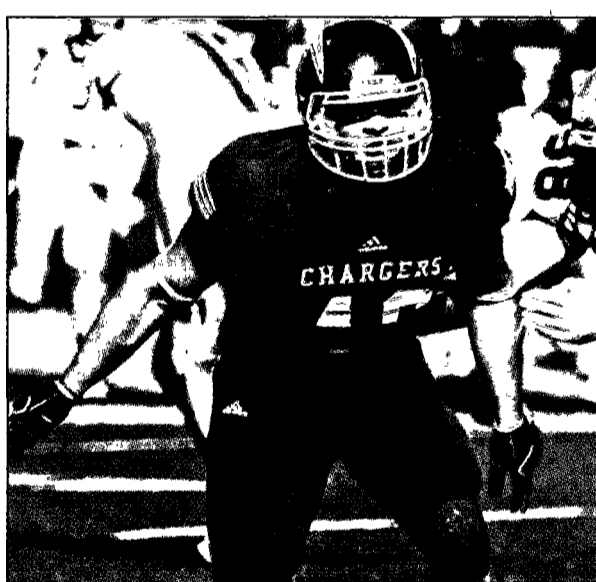
Moynihan won't deny that he's structured in all phases of his life. He says it rubs off from his parents. His dad Vincent is a long-time employee at Henderson Glass in Livonia, while his mother Carol is a dentist who owns her own practice in Belleville.

"I take what I do very seriously," said Moynihan, who is Churchill's all-time leading tackler. "I think if you're going to do something, then you do it to the best of your abilities. I definitely get that from my parents. My parents told me growing up that if you're going to do something, do it right, and do it right the first time."

Otterbein says Moynihan's demeanor is unique in many ways.

### Mature side

"Usually kids that age, that college-age kid, they have a tendency to act like college-age kids with forgetting stuff or what-



Churchill grad Devin Moynihan has been a stalwart at linebacker for Hillsdale College. PATRICK HECKENLIVELY | HILLSDALE COLLEGE

ever," the Hillsdale coach said. "He is a very different type personality. Serious is really a term describes him."

"I don't follow him around campus, so I'm assuming when he's just kind of there and hanging out with his buddies that he lets his hair down a little bit, or I certainly hope that he is. But it appears he does by the great relationships that he has with his teammates. But we don't see that side from him very often (laughing), I can tell you that. When he's around football, he's pretty serious."

Moynihan, an accounting major who will graduate this spring, has his future all mapped out. And it's no surprise.

"Currently the plan is to become a United States Marine officer, then hopefully move into a government agency like the FBI or CIA, or something along those lines," he said. "Probably when I was around 16 years old I decided I

been a central figure in Hillsdale's defensive success the past few seasons.

"He's one of three four-year starting linebackers," Otterbein said. "He walked on here and earned a scholarship. Tremendous work ethic. When we get the right kid, they just blossom and thrive in our environment, which is very difficult academically and the football is at a very, very high level. There's a lot of social responsibility here and he is just never problem and always excelled in everything he's done. And that's pretty neat."

### Adapted quickly

While Moynihan didn't know what to expect coming in as a freshman, he's been able to thrive in the Hillsdale environment.

"When you get to college, it's schoolwork, and football kind of just smacks you in the mouth," he said. "You have to make the choice early on whether you're going to fight through it or you're going to let it defeat you."

And Moynihan is grateful for the opportunity to play at a high level NCAA Division II program while earning a education at a highly acclaimed private school.

"Hillsdale College is one of those places that attracts a different kind of person, both mentally and physically," he said. "The people that I've met here, the coaches and other guys, have so much character, and they make me want to be better just by watching them do what they do."

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GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

# Zebras secure much-needed KLAA triumph

It took awhile, but the Wayne Memorial girls volleyball team finally earned a victory this season in the KLAA.

On Tuesday, the host Zebras defeated South Lyon East in a Kensington Conference crossover, 20-25, 25-13, 21-25, 25-16, 15-12.

Deja Tamlin had 12 kills, four blocks and seven digs, while setter Savannah Monette added 31 assist-to-kills and eight aces as Wayne improved to 6-25-5 overall.

"It took us five sets, but we got the job done tonight for the last match in our house of the season," said Wayne coach Samantha Dye, whose team finished 0-10 in the KLAA's South Division. "All I have to say is it's about time. I am excited that the girls starting to fight and finished tonight."

"I was a little nervous with going to a fifth set because 15-point games our are weakness, but the girls stepped up and took control."

Other leaders for the victorious Zebras included Danielle Robbins (nine kills, 16 digs, three aces); Paige Chalmers (eight kills, 10 digs); Karley Buford (five blocks, 11 kills); and Kaitlyn Lees (seven digs, eight assists, four aces).  
The loss drops South

Lyon East to 6-15-2 overall.

**Clarenceville wins**

Nicole Kurdziel went 13-for-13 from the service line and added 33 assists as Livonia Clarenceville (14-10-2, 9-0) moved closer to an outright Western Wayne Athletic Conference Red Division championship Tuesday with a 25-21, 25-17, 25-14 victory at Dearborn Fordson.

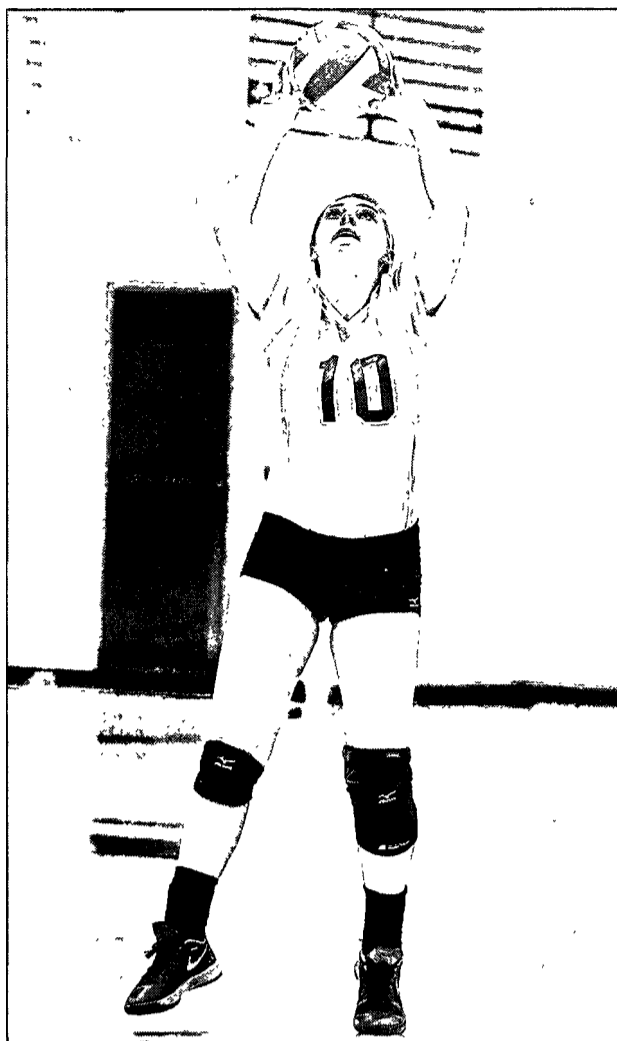
Top performers for the Trojans included Ayanna Buckley and Erica Katz, nine aces apiece; Kelsey Griffen, six aces and six digs; and Hunter Iuliano, seven kills;

The Trojans can clinch WWAC Red crown Thursday at home with a victory over Redford Union. (Match time is 7 p.m.)

**Lions down Pats**

In a Kensington Conference crossover Tuesday, South Lyon (11-15) downed host Livonia Franklin (15-14-2) in three sets, 25-20, 25-18, 25-11.

Top performers for the Patriots included Mikayla Sienkiewicz, who had only four errors in 47 assist attempts; Kelly Newton, 32 pass attempts; and Breanna Hourigan, three kills in 10 attacks (with two errors).



Danielle Robbins (10) helped Wayne Memorial break its KLAA losing skid Tuesday night against South Lyon East. DOUGLAS BARGERSTOCK

On Saturday, Franklin was eliminated by Wyandotte Roosevelt in the quarterfinals of the Uni-

versity of Michigan-Dearborn Invitational after sweeping pool play foes Dearborn Edsel

Ford and Monroe Jefferson twice in straight sets.

**Spartans bumped**

Katie Tomasic and Amanda Hawkins combined for 41 kills and 17 blocks, but it wasn't enough as Livonia Stevenson (28-10-2) fell to host Plymouth (21-7-1) in five sets, 25-27, 24-26, 30-28, 25-22, 16-14.

Tomasic had 25 kills and five blocks, while Hawkins had 16 kills and 12 blocks in the KLAA crossover.

Arryn Dochenetz and Tomasic finished with 22 and 14 digs, respectively, while Carmen Disler and Abigail Whitehead added 23 and 13 assists, respectively.

**Churchill clipped**

On Tuesday, Northville (33-10-10) upended host Livonia Churchill (29-11-3) in a Kensington Conference battle of second-place divisional teams, 25-19, 25-19, 25-21.

Kills leaders for the Chargers included Mackenzie Hamill (nine), Gabby Beck (seven) and Fiona Zobel (three), while setter Rayna Yetts dished out 20 assists.

Lauren Fallu added nine digs, while Megan Damico and Annie Yost chipped in with four and three, respectively.

**Warriors go 2-1**

Leah Refenes had a total of 31 kills, 27 digs and 25 assists on the night as Lutheran High Westland (13-17-4) captured two of three matches in Tuesday's Westland Huron Valley Lutheran Quad.

The Warriors scored victories over Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett (25-10, 25-11) and Newport Lutheran South (17-25, 25-14, 15-11), while falling to the host Hawks (23-25, 20-25).

Other leaders for the Warriors included Julia Yancy (34 digs); Bethany Hoehne (24 assists); Allie Lange (17 kills, 11 digs), Sabrina Morrison (20 digs).

"We had an interesting day today," Lutheran Westland coach Kevin Wade said. "We started slow against South and had to battle in that match, but we rebounded nicely in the win against Liggett."

"Against HVL, we just made too many mistakes, both forced by HVL and unforced. And against a good team like that we really have to minimize our mistakes if we are going to have a chance. We definitely learned a lot today and we are headed in the right direction as we move toward the end of the season."

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

# Stevenson hangs with state's elite in Beast of East

The Beast of the East Tournament Saturday in Warren proved to be a true testing ground for the Livonia Stevenson girls volleyball team.

The Spartans, now 28-9-2 overall, faced five state-ranked teams while going 3-2 before being ousted in the semifinals by Grand Rapids Christian (No. 3 in Class B), 25-15, 26-24.

In pool play Stevenson defeated Dearborn Divine Child (No. 8 Class B), 25-15, 26-24; lost to Temperance Bedford

(No. 10 Class A), 15-25, 24-26; defeated Garden City (26-24, 25-15) and North Branch (No. 4 Class B), 25-23, 25-22.

In the quarterfinals, Stevenson ousted Portage Central (No. 3 Class A), 25-17, 25-23.

Katie Tomasic, 6-foot-1 senior headed to Miami of Ohio, was Stevenson's top attacker on the day with 42 total kills. She also added 20 digs and seven blocks.

Other standouts for the Spartans included Amanda Hawkins (19

kills, nine blocks); Taylor McLaud (10 blocks); Abigail Whitehead (16 kills, five blocks, 10 digs); Arryn Dochenetz (29 digs); Carmen Disler (30 assist-to-kills); and Sarah Soave (28 assists).

**Churchill runner-up**

Livonia Churchill made it all the way to the finals Saturday of the University of Michigan-Dearborn before Ann Arbor Huron spoiled the Chargers' championship plans with a 25-19, 25-19 win.

Churchill, now 29-10-3 overall, reached the finals with elimination round wins over Trenton (25-17, 25-16) and Brownstown Woodhaven (25-9, 25-14).

In pool play, the Chargers downed Detroit Renaissance (25-9, 25-6), Taylor Kennedy (25-11, 25-13) and St. Clair Shores Lakeview (25-10, 25-13).

Mackenzie Hamill was Churchill's top hitter on the day with 40 total kills, while Lauren Fallu paced the defense with

42 digs. Sophomore setter Rayna Yetts collected 98 assists on the day.

**Warriors split**

Lutheran High Westland had mixed results in the Saturday's Bloomfield Hills Roper Tournament.

The Warriors, now 11-16-4 overall, split with rival Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (21-25, 25-21), lost to host Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook twice (22-25, 18-25 and 16-25, 21-25), and

defeated Bloomfield Hills Academy of the Sacred Heart (25-16, 25-17) and Southfield Christian (25-23, 25-22).

Leah Refenes was the Lutheran Westland's top player on the day with 22 kills, 31 assists and 22 digs.

Other contributions came from Julia Yancy (62 digs), Sabrina Morrison (34 digs); Allie Lange (22 kills); Mackenzie York (10 kills); Bethany Hoehne (26 assists); and Vivian Quitmeyer (11 digs).

## SPORTS ROUNDUP

**Livonia Turkey Trot**

The eighth annual Livonia Turkey Trot will be at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 2, at Livonia's Bicentennial Park, located at Seven Mile and Wayne roads.

Registration starts at 9 a.m. The entry fee is \$10 per person (includes T-shirt, if registered by

Oct. 23, snacks and refreshments).

All canned food donations will be given to the Livonia Goodfellows, which will provide needy families Christmas dinners.

Any participant that brings in a non-perishable food item will receive a ticket to be entered in a raffle for prizes

es donated by local businesses.

For more information, call 734-466-2410.

**Men's hoop meeting**

A managers' meeting for new teams in the 2014 Livonia Parks and Recreation Men's Winter Basketball League will be at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 4, at the Livonia Community

Recreation Center, 15100 Hubbard (at Five Mile).

Returning teams must register by 4:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25. The fee is \$400 per team (plus non-resident and officials fee of \$28 per game).

The projected league starting date is week of Jan. 6, 2014. Among the leagues offered include Class B (Tuesday nights);

Open (Wednesday nights); and Class C (Thursday nights).

For more information, call 734-466-2410.

**Churchill Family 5K**

The second annual Churchill Athletic Patriots Family 5K fun run is 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, at the high school, 8900 Newburgh.

Preregistration costs are \$12 (ages 13-18) and \$15 (adults). Race day fees are \$15 and \$20, respectively.

Each participant will receive a Dry Fit tech shirt.

There will also be a fun run for those 10-and-under.

To register, visit [chscap.com/funrun.htm](http://chscap.com/funrun.htm).

## FREEMAN

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refenes, a 6-1 All-Stater who went on to play four seasons at the University of Cincinnati.

**Role model**

"She definitely brought a lot to our team," Freeman said of Refenes. "I was hitting below her, most of the players were, but she was our go-to girl. Just the enthusiasm she brought to the court and her style of playing ... she was just relentless. She would do anything it would take to get that every single point. She is obviously one of the greatest players I've ever seen or played with. She definitely showed me a lot. It was cool play behind her and go back the next year as a senior to have that role model still in the back of my mind to be just like her."

During her senior year Freeman, coached by Kevin Wade, earned first-team All-Observer and second-team Class D All-State honors.

But she was far from being a polished player.

"Jerry saw a lot of potential in me as a freshman, but my skills back then were honestly not very good," Freeman said. "I think over these

past four years I've done a lot of work with my teammates that were above me ... they just showed me a lot and helped me a lot.

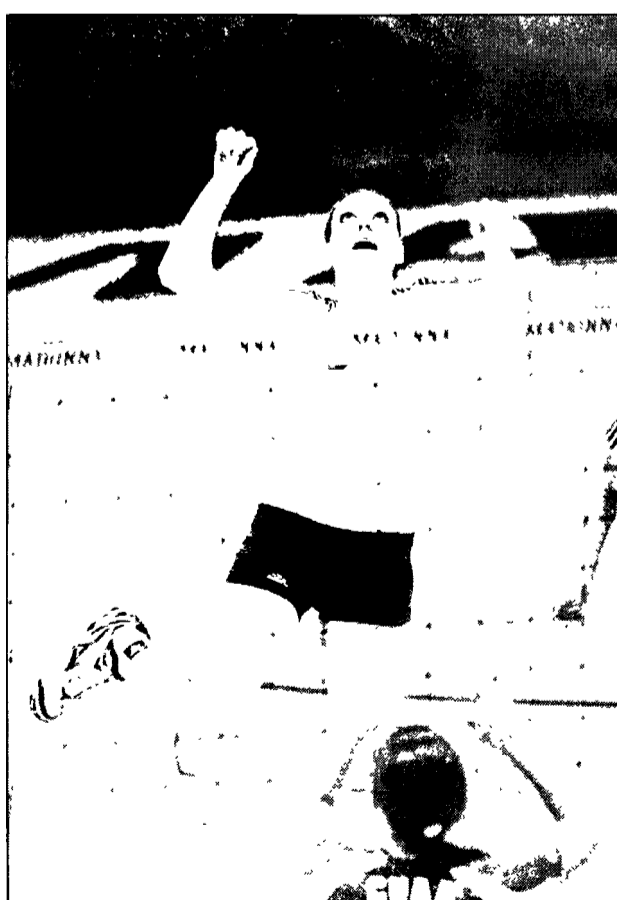
"I know Karie (Altman) and Nastija (Baranovska), the past two middles, were huge inspirations and huge hard workers. They just showed me what it takes to be a lead middle hitter. I just looked up to them and worked my butt off through a lot of reps."

**Patience pays off**

Abraham showed patience as Freeman slowly matured into a force at the net.

"She's kind of unique because of her size and her position," said Abraham, the NAIA's winningest coach in his 27th season. "She was just untapped, just a girl that had a volleyball body and just tremendous upside, who I think showed a lot of promise, but you knew it was going to take some time."

"We started her not in the middle. We started her on the right side and outside, then we transformed her to the middle. I knew she was going to develop, but I didn't know how much time it was going to take. She doesn't remind me of too many other players I've had. She's kind of unique in her own way."



Madonna University's 6-foot-3 middle hitter Emilie Freeman leads the Crusaders in kills with 407. TBSPORTPIX.COM

When she graduates from MU, Freeman would like to teach at the elementary school level. She is currently majoring in language arts with minors in elementary education and math.

Away from volleyball, Freeman enjoys photography and spending time

with her girls youth group at Life Church in Canton.

"She's just a wonderful person to be around," Abraham said. "She's just very well liked by everybody and respected by everybody. She's a perfect candidate for a (WHAC) Champion of

Character. She always cares about other people, does a lot of service stuff for other people, volunteer stuff. She's a very kind and courteous, responsible young lady."

**More season**

Going into Wednesday's encounter against Northwestern Ohio, Madonna needed to win just two of its final three games to clinch the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference title.

But the Crusaders also have set their sights down the road for a return trip to the NAIA National Tournament.

And Freeman believes her team has all the intangibles to make a strong run.

"We work well together," Freeman said. "We know our goals. We know what we want to accomplish. We're all really close friends and you have to have that tight bond to do well anywhere on the court. Our coaches have really tried to instill in us that to work as hard as possible from the very beginning, and as you go along use your experience to help you. And we've definitely done that. But we do realize we don't get a day or practice off. We work hard every second we're on the court and that's definitely why we've done so well so far."

And according to Abraham, Freeman is one of the big reasons why the team has enjoyed such immense success.

**Being a leader**

"This year she is a captain of the team and she's a serious go-to player day-in and day-out," he said. "She accepted that role right from the start. She's taken it and just run with it. Now we count on her nightly. She's responded consistently all year, but she's played the best against the best teams we've played, which is a real good sign."

"She's playing with a lot of confidence and she's a terminating hitter as you know."

Freeman believes she is still a work in progress, but she's completely comfortable in her own skin when she takes the floor.

"Back then I was not a good player," Freeman admits. "I was completely uncoordinated, just tall, didn't know what to do with my body, very awkward. Going into it all and have him (Abraham) see the potential in me in ... that is really cool."

She can walk and time after all.

D1 GIRLS GOLF FINALS

# Back-to-back crowns for Plymouth girls

Wildcats celebrate another Division 1 state championship

By Tim Smith  
Staff Writer

Nothing could stop Plymouth Saturday from winning a second consecutive Division 1 girls golf championship.

The battle-tested Wildcats — led by three returnees from the 2012 title squad — remained at the top of the charts with a two-day tally of 706, four strokes ahead of Rochester Hills Stoney Creek.

Plymouth got it done, in spite of strong competition, soaking rain and the always-challenging Forest Akers (West Course) at Michigan State University.

"We had a meeting (Friday) last night, we put our game plan together, what we're going to focus on," said Wildcats coach Dan Young, capping off an obviously successful second season at the helm. "What we can control, what we can't control. And we were ready to go when it came to not only weather but how we were going to stay focused on us, and what we do."

Young said temperatures were in the 40s when the team began hitting the driving range before the second round started Saturday and the rain didn't stop until about the halfway point of the day.

"It's a very difficult course, it was playing almost 5,800 yards which is longer than what we normally play," Young

said. "And the fact that, it's just a tough course. There's a few holes where you get into what's called lateral hazards. They're all along a couple holes. Tough holes to get through."

"I would say, just trying to hang in there mentally when it comes to the biggest day of the season, in the worst conditions of the season, and getting it done (is) a credit to the kids."

**Experience factor**

Plymouth found things cramped at the top of the standings following Friday's 18 holes with a 358, followed by Grosse Pointe South and Ann Arbor Pioneer (360 each) and Troy (361).

"We shot a 358 yesterday, and seven teams were within 10 strokes of each other, five were within four strokes of each other," Young said. "So coming in today it was anybody's game."

Plymouth (358-348-706) led the 15-team field, followed by Rochester Hills Stoney Creek (362-348-710), Troy (361-350-711), Grosse Pointe South (360-366-726), Ann Arbor Pioneer (360-368-728), East Kentwood (369-360-729), North Farmington (373-358-731), Saline (371-361-732) and Novi (381-365-746).

The Wildcats did not falter during the second round of the finals, perhaps because of the confidence instilled by co-captains Sydney Murphy, Kayla Whatley and sophomore Katie Chipman, the three golfers from last season's team.

Murphy followed up her 86 with a sparkling 77 and fin-



The Plymouth girls golf team celebrates after winning the Division 1 state championship.

ished ninth overall with a 163. "She had an unbelievable round for us, she was in the top 10," The Plymouth coach said.

**All chipping in**

Whatley (96-89-185) and Chipman (84-82-166) each knocked off strokes over the opening day, while Alaina Strzalka (92-100-192) and Ariana Strzalka (112-103-215) also came up big when needed.

"Sydney Murphy, Kayla Whatley and Katie Chipman played as our 3-4-5 a year ago and are now our 1-2-3," Young noted. "So absolutely it (expe-

rience) did (helped). And that carried over and helped the other kids the last couple weeks."

"Those three were calm, they had confidence about themselves and that just trickled down to the rest of the girls."

Young said Whatley "guttled out an 89, she was just tremendous (and) had some big putts. And Katie Chipman shot an 84 yesterday and an 82 today."

Course conditions, along with the elements, resulted in scores being higher across-the-board, Young explained.

"But it was a credit to the kids, they just put their game face on," he added. "You know how hard golf is."

"And to perform under pressure, in the biggest match of the year is just a credit to the girls and our program."

"It was just a team effort and I'm just very, very proud of them."

Individual qualifier Kelsey McDougall of Canton earned all-state honors by finishing fifth overall, with scores of 81-79-160.

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BOYS TENNIS

# Stevenson nets 1 point in MHSAA Division 1 finals

Points were hard to come by for Livonia Stevenson in the last weekend's MHSAA Division 1 Boys Tennis Finals.

The Spartans, regional runners-up, tallied their lone point at No. 2 doubles when Chase Tinham and Matt Lackey defeated Blake Groulx and Mitchell Ensz of Midland, 6-3, 7-5.

Jason Chen and Austin Luker of state champion Ann Ar-

bor Huron then ousted the Stevenson duo, 6-1, 6-0.

Huron captured the team title edging Novi by a single point, 30-29, while Birmingham Brother Rice was a close third with 28.

At No. 1 singles, Stevenson's Chad Northey was ousted by Alex Lattis of Clarkston, 6-4, 6-3, while Livonia Churchill's Jonathan Martin, an individual qualifier, fell to Nicholas Paolucci of Grosse Pointe South, 6-0, 6-1.

Novi-Detroit Catholic Central's Michael Dube, a Livonia native, reached the semifinals at No. 1 singles before falling to Northville's Connor Johnston in three sets, 4-6, 7-5, 7-6 (7-4). Johnston then lost to top seed Tim Wang of Novi in the finals, 6-1, 6-3.

Dube won his first two rounds defeating Paolucci, 6-4, 6-1, and Jack Petersen Huron, 6-3, 6-1.

Stevenson's Sam Tabor (No. 2 singles) fell to Midland's Jonathan Hentschel, 6-1, 6-3, while Jason Wysocki (No. 3 singles) lost to Zack Rieb-schleger, 6-1, 6-3. Traverse City Central's Nick Yergens (No. 4) downed the Spartans' Jeff Frederick, 6-1, 6-1.

At No. 1 doubles, CC's David Killian and Matt Wolfe downed

Stevenson's Tom Cwiek and Neal Adams, 6-2 6-4, while at No. 3 doubles, Stevenson's Brendan Parker and Andrew Dziobak lost to Clarkston's Dan Agnew and Eric Matynowski, 6-2, 6-1.

Troy Athens' Shivam Vyas and Aditya Mukundan downed Stevenson's David Ajluni and Brad Weiland in the opening round at No. 4 doubles, 6-0, 6-1.

**CITY OF WAYNE  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Zoning Board of Appeals of the City of Wayne, Michigan, will hold Public Hearings on Thursday, November 14, 2013 at 7:30p.m., in the Council Chambers of Wayne City Hall, 3355 South Wayne Road, to consider two requests:

1. Cal Sign has applied for the property owner at 35830 Van Born Road, for permission to replace an existing pole sign. The property is located in the IND-1, Light Industrial Zoning District. Section 1280.08 (d)(1) of the Planning and Zoning Code does not allow pole signs in this zoning district.

2. Carlos A. Davila, on behalf of Wayne Exchange, has applied as the property owner at 32413 Michigan Avenue, to establish a regulated use, a money services business and pawnshop. The property is located in an IND-B, Industrial Business Zoning District. Section 1234.12 (d)(7) of the Planning and Zoning Code requires a waiver from the Zoning Board of Appeals due to the proximity of residential districts, which is dependent upon the presentation to the Board of a validated petition with signatures as specified in Section 1234.12 (d)(7).

The text and any maps may be examined or written comments may be submitted at the City Clerk's Office during business hours (10:00a.m. to 4:30p.m.) Members of the public may appear at the public hearing in person or by counsel. At the conclusion of the Public Hearing, the Zoning Board will consider, and may act upon, this matter.

Matthew K. Miller  
City Clerk

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**CITY OF WESTLAND  
GENERAL ELECTION  
November 5, 2013**

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WESTLAND, County of Wayne: Notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held in the City of Westland on Tuesday, November 5, 2013 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at which time the following items will be voted upon: Mayor (vote for not more than one) and City Council (vote for not more than 4).

The places of voting for the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013, will be as follows:

Precincts	Locations
1, 13, 18 & 19	Schweitzer School, 2601 Treadwell
2, 11, 23 & 32	Elliott School, 30800 Bennington
3 & 7	Stottlemyer School, 34801 Marquette
4, 5, 8 & 29	Edison School, 34505 Hunter
6, 9 & 10	Adams Middle School, 33475 Palmer
12, 25 & 35	Cooper School, 28550 Ann Arbor Trail
14	Marshall Middle School, 35100 Bayview
15	Greenwood Villa, 7600 Nankin Ct
16	Holiday Park Club House, 34850 Fountain Blvd.
17 & 37	P. D. Graham School, 1255 S. John Hix
20	Wildwood School, 500 N. Wildwood
21 & 42	Johnson School, 8400 Hix
22	Westland Meadows Club House, 30600 Van Born
24	Westland Cable Television Office, 33455 Warren
26 & 33	Hamilton School, 1031 Schuman
27 & 36	Western Wayne Skill Center, 8075 Ritz
28	Church of Christ - Annapolis Park, 30355 Annapolis
30 & 31	Hayes School, 30600 Louise St.
34 & 38	Dyer Social Service Center, Senior Wing - 36745 Marquette
39	Landings Apartment Club House, 7000 Lakeview
40 & 41	Hellenic Cultural Center at St. Constantine Church, 36375 Joy

The polls for said election will be open at 7:00 a.m. and will remain open until 8:00 p.m. on said day of election. Every qualified elector present and in line at the hour prescribed for the closing thereof shall be allowed to vote. Voting sites are ADA compliant.

Eileen DeHart, CMC  
Westland City Clerk

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# Miller recalls the Golden Era

By Ed Wright  
Staff Writer

He may be 87 years old, but Bob Miller's recollection of the Philadelphia Phillies' 1950 run to the World Series is as sharp as an Al Albuquerque slider.

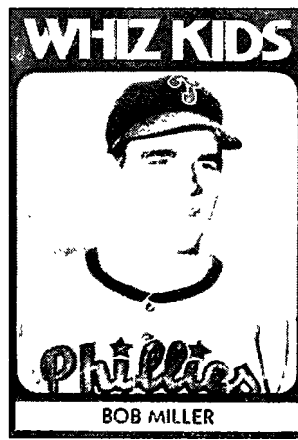
Miller, a longtime resident of Redford and former hall of fame coach for the University of Detroit's now-shuttered baseball program, was a 24-year-old rookie right-handed pitcher for the Phillies, who held off a late charge by the Jackie Robinson-led Brooklyn Dodgers to win the National League pennant.

"It was the bottom of the ninth of a 1-1 game against Brooklyn with the pennant riding on the game," Miller said recently during lunch at a Novi restaurant. "Robin Roberts was pitching with runners on second and third and two outs. Our manager, Eddie Sawyer, goes out to the mound and asks Robin, 'Would you rather pitch to Gil Hodges or Jackie Robinson?' Robin says, 'I don't give a damn.' So Sawyer says, 'Well, I don't give a damn either' and he walked back to the bench."

Roberts retired Hodges, the Phillies won the game and advanced to the World Series, where they were swept by the New York Yankees.

"After we beat the Dodgers to win the pennant, we went back to the locker room, hugged each other then had a beer - that was it. No champagne, no big celebration."

"The other day, I was watching a game and a team clinched, and they were oompa, oompa-ing around on the mound like they were getting ready



Pictured is a 1950s-era Bob Miller baseball card.

to eat somebody. I turned it off."

Miller, who was among the major leagues' most-accomplished rookie pitchers in 1950, said times have definitely changed since he and his teammates wore their wool uniforms on the diamonds - but not always for the better.

One modern-day occurrence that he said wouldn't cut it back in the day is the emphasis on pitcher's pitch counts. The only numbers he cared about, Miller said, were the number of runs each team had put up on the scoreboard.

And when Miller pitched in 1950, there weren't many.

"One time I pitched a 12-inning game in Milwaukee and it was nothing-nothing before it got rained out," Miller said, smiling. "I had no idea how many pitches I had thrown; I didn't care."

"And when I went to the locker room after the game to take a shower, I ran hot water on my arm,

which is against all principles today. Today, they use a lot of ice. Like they said back then, the only ice I use is in my cocktails."

Miller said current-day fans would marvel at the workhorse efforts of most of the elite pitchers he played with.

"One year, Robin Roberts threw 28 consecutive complete games," Miller said. "And he never had a sore arm, never had Tommy John surgery."

"I think the big contracts they're giving out today is one reason the pitchers aren't allowed to throw many pitches. I don't like the pitch-count thing at all."

Miller said he relied heavily on two pitches: a sinker and a curve.

"One thing I wish we'd had back then was somebody who could teach us how to throw a change-up," Miller said. "I think that's the best pitch going today. My changeup back when I pitched was an off-speed curve."

Miller said he enjoyed reasonable success against some of the game's most-heralded hitters: Hank Aaron and Eddie Mathews, to name two.

"But Duke Snider wore me out," he said, chuckling. "He was really rough on me."

Miller said he can relate to the pressure today's players face in must-win games.

"It was a pretty intense atmosphere for us when we played in the World Series against the Yankees," he said. "We had eight toilets in the locker room and before the game they were all being used."

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RELIGION CALENDAR

OCTOBER PUMPKINS

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m.-dusk, through Oct. 31  
**Location:** Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia  
**Details:** The church is selling pumpkins from Blake Farms in Armada. Half of all proceeds benefit the Livonia Cares Assistance Program, which offers help to the poor and vulnerable in Livonia

**SPAGHETTI DINNER**

**Time/Date:** 5-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25  
**Location:** Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill Road, Garden City

**Details:** Includes a silent auction. Dinner prices are \$7 for adults, \$3.50 for children, 4-11 and free for children, 3 and under

**TRUNK 'N TREAT**

**Time/Date:** 5-7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26  
**Details:** Children can trick or treat from car trunk to trunk for goodies and paint and take home a pumpkin for \$1. Youngsters, 5-8, also can make crafts. Baked goods will be sold and free coffee, cider and hot chocolate will be served

**TRUNK OR TREAT**

**Time/Date:** 5-6:30 pm, Sunday, Oct. 27  
**Location:** St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, Livonia

**Details:** Children wear costumes and trick or treat in the parking lot; also includes dinner, crafts and activities

**WOMEN ON FAITH**

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 29  
**Location:** Congregation B'nai Moshe social hall, 6800 Drake, West Bloomfield

**Details:** Five guest speakers from Women's Interfaith Solutions for Dialogue and Outreach in Metro Detroit (WISDOM) will share personal stories of different faith traditions — Baha'i, Christian, Hindu, Jewish, Muslim and Sikh. No charge for B'nai Moshe Sisterhood members; donations accepted from guests. Reservations by Friday, Oct. 25

**NOVEMBER CONCERT**

**Time/Date:** 6-8:30 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 10  
**Location:** St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 Six Mile, Livonia

**Details:** "Praisefest," will include performances by five praise bands, with free will donations to help three local charities

**CONCERT**

**Time/Date:** 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 17  
**Location:** Congregation Shaarey Zedek, 27375 Bell, Southfield

**Details:** Laurie Berkner will bring her "The You & Me Tour" to the congregation. Tickets range from \$18-\$118 per person.

**CRAFT SHOW**

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 26  
**Location:** Knights of Columbus Hall, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia

**Details:** Flea market and arts and craft items; vendor table proceeds help Knights of Columbus fill Christmas baskets for the needy

**FILM PREMIERE**

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m., Friday, Nov. 1  
**Location:** In the activity center in the Basilica of St. Mary, 18200 Merriman, Livonia

**Details:** Italian director Yasmine Perri will talk about her experience creating the film, "The Stones Cry Out," a film about Palestinian Christians. Admission is free

**MARRIAGE CONFERENCE**

**Time/Date:** 8:30 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Nov. 2  
**Location:** St. Michael the Archangel Church, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia

**Details:** "Beyond the Honeymoon," a marriage conference focused on the practical and spiritual aspects of Christian marriage and family life. Speakers include Bishop Michael Byrnes of the Archdiocese of Detroit and the Rev. William H. Tindall, pastor at St. Michael.

**Cost:** \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. Reservations are required

**Contact:** 734-261-1455, Ext. 200 or 207; www.livoniastmichael.org

**SQUARE DANCE**

**Time/Date:** 6:30-10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2  
**Location:** Livonia YMCA, 14255 Stark, Livonia

**Details:** St. Michael the Archangel and Christian Singles Community co-sponsor an adult singles square dance. Cost is \$12. No dance experience required. RSVP to catholicingles@livoniastmichael.org

**Contact:** 734-261-1455, ext. 200

**ONGOING CLASSES/STUDY**

**Men's Bible study**  
**Time/Date:** Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m.  
**Location:** Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville Township

**Contact:** John Shulenberger at 734-464-9491

**New Life Community Church**  
**Time/Date:** Jobs seminar, 8-9 a.m. Fridays; reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m. Sundays

**Location:** 42200 Tyler, Belleville

**Our Lady of Loretto**

**Time/Date:** 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday  
**Location:** Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford

**Details:** Scripture study  
**Contact:** 313-534-9000

**St. Michael the Archangel**  
**Time/Date:** 7-8:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday.  
**Location:** School library, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia

**Details:** Catholic author and Bible scholar, Gary Michuta, leads a study of Peter.  
**Contact:** 734-261-1455, Ext. 200, or www.livoniastmichael.org

**Ward Presbyterian**  
**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Mondays  
**Location:** Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville

**Details:** Learner's Bible study is held  
**Contact:** 248-374-5920

**FAMILY COMMUNITY MEAL**  
**Time/Date:** 5-6 p.m. every Thursday  
**Location:** The Salvation Army, 27500 Shiwawasee, Farmington Hills

**Details:** Free meal  
**Contact:** 248-477-1153, Ext. 12

**FOOD BANK**  
**New Hope Church**  
**Time/Date:** 5-7 p.m., every Friday by appointment only  
**Location:** 44815 Cherry Hill, Canton

**Contact:** Call pastor Ranay Brown to schedule an appointment at 734-270-2528.

**MOMS**  
**Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church**  
**Time/Date:** 9:30-11:30 a.m. second Tuesday, MOPS; 7-8:30 p.m. first and third Thursday, MOPSnext. Both programs run September-May

**Location:** 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia  
**Details:** Mothers of Preschoolers is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners; MOPSnext supports mothers of school-aged children.

**Contact:** Rebekah Creeden at 734-522-6830 for MOPS and Susan Wagner at 248-478-3643 for MOPSnext details.

**Dunning Park Bible Chapel**  
**Time/Date:** 9:30-11:30 a.m. first and third Tuesdays  
**Location:** 24800 W. Chicago Road, Redford

**Details:** MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope.

**Contact:** Amy at 313-937-3084, or Kristen at 734-542-0767

**PET-FRIENDLY SERVICE**  
**Time/Date:** 1 p.m. Sunday  
**Location:** Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia

**Details:** All Creatures ULC sponsors the service, which is conducted in an informal setting. Pet blessings are available after the service.  
**Contact:** 313-563-0162

Church offers pies, pasties



Andrew and Jill Perez set up the dessert table at Newburg United Methodist Church's annual Thanksgiving Day dinner. Proceeds from the sale of pies — orders will be taken Oct. 29 and Nov. 4 — will help pay for the dinner.

Newburg United Methodist Church will take orders Monday, Oct. 28 and Nov. 4, for its annual fall pasty sale.

The church also has added pie to the sale this year. Proceeds from the pie sale will help fund the church's annual Thanksgiving Dinner, which is open to the public.

Pasties are \$4 each and sides of gravy are an additional 50 cents. They'll be available for pickup from 1-5 p.m. Nov. 8 and 9, at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Pies are \$10. Pies will be baked on Tuesday, Nov. 26, with pickup on Nov. 27.

Call 734-422-0149 to order pies and pasties.

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DOSTA, MARY FRANCES

Age 70. Benevolent daughter, beloved wife, devoted mother, loving sister and caring grandmother passed away on September 27th, 2013. A memorial service will be held at Harvest Ministries Church 23233 Drake Rd Farmington, MI 48335 on October 26th, 2013 at 5 pm.

HORN, CARLETTE

She laughed, she cried. We laughed, we cried. She ran like the wind. Well, maybe not quite. She lived, she died. We will miss her, we love her. Née Houser, born 7-20-42. Survived by: Monroe Horn; Andrea, Jon, Truman, Lia, and Griffin Schroeder; Monroe, Gail, Scott and Emily Horn.

KELLEY, D.D.S. STEWART "RICHARD"

Age 87 of Howell, passed away at his home on Tuesday, October 22, 2013. Born in Flint on April 21, 1926, he was the son of Stewart and Luella (Letourneau) Kelley. Formerly of Garden City and a Howell area resident since 1980. Dr. Kelley was a WWII U.S. Navy veteran and graduate of the University Of Detroit School Of Dentistry. He started his own dental office in Garden City in 1960 and practiced until his retirement in 2006. Dr. Kelley was a member of the Garden City Knights of Columbus and enjoyed gardening, bowling and playing softball. Beloved husband of Rose Marie (Herman) Kelley whom he married at St. Michaels Church of Higgins Lake on April 14, 1975. Loving father of Kathleen Kelley of Howell, Richard (Allison) Kelley of Howell and Michael (Linda) Kelley of Garden City. Proud and loving grandfather of Donovan Kelley of Howell, Aiden Kelley of Howell and Angela McBride of Hartland. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. He attended St. John Catholic Church, 2099 Hacker Rd. (at M-59), Howell where the funeral mass will be held at the little church on Friday, October 25th at 11:00 a.m. (in state beginning 10 a.m.), Father Francis George, Celebrant. Interment to follow at Riddle Cemetery. Visitation Thursday, 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. (Rosary 7 p.m.) at MacDonald's Funeral Home, Howell (517-546-2800). Please sign the family's online guestbook at macdonaldsfuneralhome.com  
 MacDonald's Funeral Home



PERRY, MARJORIE E. (nee Tucker)

Age 85, of Farmington, died October 21, 2013. Beloved wife of 66 years, to Howard; devoted mother of Michael (Susan), Dennis (Jane), Marcia (Dave) Tyler, and the late Daniel (d. 1999); loving sister of Mary Ann (Robert) Hay and the late John (Marylynn) Tucker; cherished grandmother of seven, great grandmother of four; and aunt of numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral Mass Thursday, Oct. 24, 10:30 am (in state 9:30 am) at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, 23615 Power Rd., Farmington. Memorial gifts suggested to the Lewy Body Dementia Assn., lbdia.org, or the Farmington Garden Club.

Arrangements entrusted to the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, downtown Farmington (248-474-5200) heeney-sundquist.com



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Jane Kelly Kosek (left) with actors Andy Gates and Taryn Horacek, and producer-writer-director Leena Pendharkar

## Livonia native 'tells' stories on film and through the Internet

By Sharon Dargay  
Staff Writer

Jane Kelly Kosek can pack a lot of storytelling into very little time.

The Livonia native created a web comedy, *I Love My Annoying Spouse*, which looks at how a loving couple handles their spouse's annoying habits. Each segment in the series, which Kosek also directs, runs just two and a half to three minutes.

"*I Love My Annoying Spouse* was more of an experiment for me," said Kosek, during a phone interview this week with the *Observer*. "I have not directed before and I thought I need to start. I made it very simple so I could really focus on the storytelling and directing."

"We've kept it lean and mean. We're using all of our own equipment said Kosek, adding that her five-member production team includes the series' two actors.

*I Love My Annoying Spouse*, which will debut in November, will show the couple in vignettes "doing things that we naturally do to annoy our spouses." It starts with them planning a trip, as they approach their five-year anniversary.

"They'll grow as a couple and face obstacles. I'm exploring their foibles."

### Other programs

Kosek's first web comedy, *Overly Attached Andy*, on which she served as a producer, runs weekly in two- to three-minute segments on So Natural TV, a YouTube channel. She collaborated on the series, which premiered last week, with Leena Pendharkar, who wrote, directed and co-



Taryn Horacek and Andy Gates star in the Web series, "Overly Attached Andy."

produced the episodes. "Andy," is a "hipster wannabe" who is overly attached to his ex and fears he'll never find a similar relationship. He asks a romantically challenged friend to help him find true love online.

Although *I Love My Annoying Spouse* and *Overly Attached Andy* are Kosek's first web series projects, the Stevenson High School graduate has a long list of film credits, in both narrative and documentary formats. The driving force behind Meritage Pictures, Kosek produced writer-director Leslie Iwerks' feature-length documentary *Citizen Hearst* last year and her short documentary, *Pipe Dreams*, in 2011. She's currently producing a documentary about Disney's "Imagineering."

Her fictional film stories include *The Diary of Preston*

*Plummer, Take Me Home, Not Since You and Tennessee*. She also has produced several short films. She and her husband also write a wine blog.

### Feature films, Internet

"In my heart of hearts I will always love features and the process of getting caught up in the story ... making every scene count, every hand gesture count. But it's also freeing and different to (tell a story) in a shorter time frame. And it's a challenge," she said, comparing feature films and web-based shows.

Kosek encourages independent filmmakers to embrace the Internet and tap into its immediate audience. She said Internet-based shows not only help filmmakers build a following, but make them "better storytellers" in the process.

Kosek, 44, discovered her

interest in storytelling and writing during her junior year at Oakland University. She had planned a career in physical therapy but discovered that her writing and film courses were more inspiring and "took 10 English classes" her senior year.

After graduation, she worked for Gale Research as a writer and editor for four years. After marrying her husband, Steve, a photographer, the couple moved to New York, where she continued working in the publishing industry for another eight years.

"Something always spoke to me in the visual realm and drew me to TV and film."

### Learning the ropes

She left the publishing world to become an unpaid intern on film productions. Her first experience was as a pro-



Kosek

duction secretary. She worked her way up to a paid position as assistant production coordinator. When the couple moved to the Los Angeles area, she assisted producer-writer Akiva Goldsman (*A Beautiful Mind*) before striking out on her own.

Her advice for other wannabe screenwriters, producers and directors is to persevere.

"Never give up. Stay at it. Even if you have a day job, keep doing it on the side."

Kosek said she hopes to produce a film in Michigan one day. She still keeps in touch with friends from Stevenson and said she loved growing up in Livonia.

"I still think about it a lot. I'd love to make a film in Livonia. I have a high school comedy I'd like to make there."

For more about Kosek's projects, visit [meritagepictures.com](http://meritagepictures.com). Check out *Overly Attached Andy* at [sonatural.tv](http://sonatural.tv). Her first experience was as a pro-

## GET OUT! CALENDAR

### GALLERY@VT

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday, during public performances, or by appointment, through Oct. 28  
**Location:** 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton

**Details:** The 21st annual Canton Fine Arts Exhibition includes 47 pieces, including paintings, sculptures, mixed media, charcoal drawing, pastels, ceramics and photography

**Contact:** 734-394-5300, Ext. 8

### NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE

**Time/Date:** 1-5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, through Oct. 26  
**Location:** 215 W. Cady, Northville

**Details:** Terry "Under the (Inspired) Influence" includes works by Anita Andersons, Renee M. Dooley, Mary

Fortuna, Diane Hawkey, Leann Meixner, Juana Moore, Kate Paul, and Mike Sivak. The show will offer visitors a glimpse of what inspires the artists and compels them to create

**Coming up:** "Small Works," an all-media juried exhibit, and "Through the Lens: A Northville Camera Club Exhibit" run Nov. 1-Dec. 14. The "Small Works" show is "cash and carry," meaning buyers may take the art home with them immediately after purchase. The "Through the Lens" exhibit will feature photos of nature, animals, family, culture and architecture. Many of the photos also will be for sale.

**Contact:** 248-344-0497;  
<http://www.northvillearts.org>

### UPPER HALL GALLERY

**Time/Date:** Through Dec. 7; pub hours are 3 p.m. to midnight Monday-Thursday, 3 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, 11 a.m. to 1

a.m. Saturday, and noon to midnight Sunday

**Location:** Liberty Street Brew Pub, 149 W. Liberty, Plymouth

**Details:** Amy Lockard exhibits photos of Michigan's Upper Peninsula  
**Contact:** 734-207-9600

### FILM

#### MJR DIGITAL CINEMAS

**Time/Date:** "Despicable Me 2," Oct. 26-27

**Location:** Nine MJR theaters, including the Westland Grand Digital Cinema 16, 6800 N. Wayne Road, Westland

**Details:** The last film of a free fall children's film festival is shown; parents pay \$1. Advance tickets are not available, and tickets are distributed on a first-come, first served basis until theater is at capacity

**Contact:** 734-298-6257

### PENN THEATRE

**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25, and 4:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 26-27

**Location:** 760 Penniman Ave., Plymouth

**Details:** "Planes," admission \$3

**Coming up:** "The Butler," 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 1-2, 4:15 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 3, and 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7; "In a World," 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 8-9, 4:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10, and 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14

**Shocktober Series:** "Abbott & Costello Meet Frankenstein," with Lon Chaney Jr. and Bela Lugosi, Oct. 24. Shows start at 7 p.m. Admission is \$3

**Contact:** 734-453-0870; [www.penn-theatre.com](http://www.penn-theatre.com)

### REDFORD THEATRE

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m. Oct. 25 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Oct. 26

**Location:** 17360 Lahser, north of Grand River Avenue, Detroit

**Details:** Alfred Hitchcock's "Psycho," starring Anthony Perkins and Vera Miles, \$5

**Coming up:** "Mister Roberts," starring Henry Fonda, James Cagney and Jack Lemmon, 8 p.m. Nov. 8 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Nov. 9, tickets \$5; Third Classic Animation Festival, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, with rare, classic animated short subjects appropriate for all ages, hosted by Steve Stanchfield, tickets \$5

**Contact:** 313-537-2560



## GET OUT

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### HISTORICAL HISTORIC HALLOWEEN

**Time/Date:** Every half hour from 6:30-9 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 6:30-8 p.m. on Sundays, weekends through October

**Location:** Greenfield Village, 20900 Oakman Blvd., Dearborn  
**Details:** The Halloween event is modeled after the holiday as it was celebrated during the first half of the 20th century and includes a jack-o-lantern-lined path, costumed characters, storytelling and 1930s cartoons. Tickets are \$12.75 for members and \$15 for nonmembers, children under 2 are free

**Contact:** 313-9872-6001; www.thehenryford.org

### PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

**Time/Date:** 1-4 p.m. Wednesday and Friday-Sunday

**Location:** 155 S. Main, Plymouth  
**Details:** The current exhibit, B4TV, highlights leisure activities that families and individuals engaged in before television. The exhibit runs through Nov. 10. Admission \$5 for adults and \$2 for students 6-17

**Tea time:** The annual Masquerade Tea runs 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 3. Liz Kerstens, museum executive director, will portray Mary Seelye Davis, who was a Plymouth resident from the late 1820s-1895. Kerstens also will show her extensive collection of Victorian mourning items. The event includes a Victorian-style tea. Tickets are \$25 for members and \$30 for nonmembers. Get tickets at plymouthhistory.org

**Contact:** www.plymouth-history.org; 734-455-8940

### MUSIC

#### BASELINE FOLK SOCIETY

**Time/Date:** 7-9 p.m. the third Saturday of the month through May

**Location:** The JWH Center for the Arts, Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth

**Details:** The event includes open mic performers and featured musicians. Tickets are \$5 at the door. Annual memberships are \$25 for individuals and include free admission.

**Contact:** Scott Ludwig at BFPsresident@aol.com

#### FARMINGTON PLAYERS BARN THEATER

**Time/Date:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9

**Location:** 32332 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

**Details:** Magic Bus plays classic rock of the 1960s and 1970s. Tickets are \$19 for adults and \$17 for students and seniors. Buy them at <https://recreg.fhgov.com> or call 248-473-1848 or buy in person at the Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills

**Contact:** 248-473-1856

#### JAZZ AT THE ELKS

**Time/Date:** 7-10 p.m. last Tuesday of the month — except December

**Location:** Plymouth Elks Lodge No. 1780, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

**Details:** Johnny Trudell and his quartet perform Oct. 29. The band includes Trudell on trumpet and flugelhorn, Ray Tini on bass, Billy Cairo on drums and Chuck Shemetaro on keyboard. \$10 donation at the door which includes hors d'oeuvres. Proceeds go toward special needs and disadvantaged children and veterans.

**Contact:** 734-453-1780 or email to [plymouthelks1780@yahoo.com](mailto:plymouthelks1780@yahoo.com)

#### JAZZ CAFE

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 25-26

**Location:** Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison, Detroit

**Details:** Jazz trumpeter Russell Gunn and his quartet featuring Grammy-winning vocalist Dionne Farris perform. Tickets are \$30 in advance at ticketmaster.com or by phone; \$40 at the door

**Contact:** 313-887-8501

#### MICHIGAN PHILHARMONIC

**Time/Date:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26

**Location:** Steppingstone School, 30250 Grand River Ave., south of Nine Mile, between Orchard Lake Road and Middlebelt, Farmington Hills

**Details:** "The Haunted House at Steppingstone School" will feature music by Bach, Grieg, Mussorgsky, Andrew Lloyd Webber, Berlioz, Stephen Schwartz and more. General tickets are \$30; seniors, 62 and over, pay \$25 and students with ID pay \$10. Buy them at the Michigan Philharmonic office, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth, by phone or online at michigan-phil.org.

**Contact:** 734-451-2112

#### PLYMOUTH COFFEE BEAN

**Time/Date:** 7:30-10 p.m. every Monday

**Location:** 884 Penniman, Plymouth

**Details:** Open mic for music and poetry; come and show your



Angela Easterling performs Nov. 2 at Trinity House Theatre in Livonia.



Gabrielle Mirabella (left), Georgia Kate Haeg, and Carly Sakolove sing the songs of ABBA in "Mamma Mia!" on stage Nov. 5-10 at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit.



Magic Bus will perform Nov. 9 at the Farmington Players Barn Theater.

creative side.

**Saturday featured artist:** Danielle Ate The Sandwich, Oct. 25; Crazy Wisdom, Nov. 1. Featured performer concerts start at 8 p.m.

**Contact:** 734-454-0178

#### TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

**Time/Date:** Most shows start at 8 p.m., doors open at 7:30 p.m.

**Location:** 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia

**Details:** Don Henry, Oct. 25; The Michigan Fingerstyle Guitar Society presents Pino Forastiere, Oct. 26; Jeff Arundel with JB Davies, Nov. 1; Nobody's Darlin with Angela Easterling, Nov. 2; Annie and Rod Capps, Joel Palmer and Seven Bridges, Nov. 3. Most shows tickets are \$15, and \$12 for subscribers. Only cash and checks accepted

**Contact:** 734-464-6302

#### VIVACE MUSIC SERIES

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9

**Location:** The Birmingham Temple, 28611 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

**Details:** Yoonshin Song, concertmaster of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, performs on violin with pianist Zhihua Tango. The program includes music by Beethoven, Bartok, Brahms and Tchaikovsky. General admission is \$23. Members, seniors and students under 18 pay \$20. Afterglow follows the concert

**Contact:** Joyce Cheresh at 248-788-9338 or Ann Sipher at 248-661-1348

#### SOMETHING DIFFERENT

##### CEMETERY WALK

**Time/Date:** Every 15 minutes beginning at 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26

**Location:** Riverside Cemetery, located on Plymouth Road, west of Haggerty, behind the 35th District Courthouse at 660 Plymouth Road.

**Details:** Hear the tales of Plymouth's ghosts, such as Civil War soldiers Asa Joy and Ralph Terry, Plymouth's undertaker William Bassett, and Plymouth photographer Romeo Wood, during the Plymouth Characters Cemetery Walk. Walks start at Massey Ball Field parking lot adjacent to the cemetery. Walks last 60-90 minutes. Tickets are \$10 per person. Or buy a Friends of the Plymouth Historical Museum membership for \$25 and get two free tickets

**Contact:** 734-455-8940; [plymouthhistory.org](http://plymouthhistory.org)

#### DETROIT ZOO

**Time/Date:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Oct. 31

**Location:** I-696 service drive and Woodward, Royal Oak

**Details:** Admission is \$14 for adults 15-61, \$12 for senior citizens 62 and older, and \$9 for children ages 2-14; children under 2 are free. Parking for cars and vans is \$5. Detroit Zoological Society members get free admission and parking

**Zoo Boo:** The event features a half-mile, trick-or-treat trail, a live mini musical, games tent, arts and crafts, pumpkin carving demonstrations and a hay maze. Tickets are \$8, ages 2 and up, available at [detroitzoo.org/events/zoo-boo](http://detroitzoo.org/events/zoo-boo). Some tickets may be available at the gate for \$11. Time slots are every half hour from 6-7:30 p.m. Fridays and 5-7:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, weekends in October

**Contact:** 248-541-5717

#### GHOST STORIES

**Time/Date:** 6-7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 27

**Location:** Summit on the Park's Grand Ballroom, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton

**Details:** Judge Ronald Lowe will tell ghost stories suitable for ages 8 and up. Tickets are \$10 per family or \$4 per individual and can be purchased at Summit on the Park, on Sundays at the Pole Barn at Canton Farmer's Market, located in Preservation Park, 500 N. Ridge Road, Canton. Proceeds benefit the Canton Historical Society. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

**Contact:** [cantonhistoricalsociety.org](http://cantonhistoricalsociety.org)

#### THEATER

##### FARMINGTON PLAYERS

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 25-26, and Nov. 1-2 and Thursday, Oct. 31; 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 27

**Location:** The Farmington Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

**Details:** John Boufford of Northville Township directs the new adaptation of the classic horror tale, "Dracula," that he refers to as a "PG-13" production. Tickets are \$16. Students get a \$2 discount on any performance. Seniors get a \$2 discount only on Oct. 13. Thrifty Thursday on Halloween offers \$2 discount for everyone. Ticket-holders can participate in a costume contest on Oct. 31.

**Auditions:** Registration starts at 12:30 p.m. and auditions begin at 1 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 10, for the musical "Assassins." To get a pdf of the script or for more information, contact Mike Smith at [assassins@farmingtonplayers.org](mailto:assassins@farmingtonplayers.org).

**Contact:** 248-553-2955; [www.farmingtonplayers.org](http://www.farmingtonplayers.org)

#### FISHER THEATRE

**Time/Date:** 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 5-10

**Location:** 3011 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit

**Details:** "Mamma Mia!" is a musical based on the songs of ABBA. Tickets are \$36-\$76.

**Contact:** 800-982-2787; [www.broadwayindetroit.com](http://www.broadwayindetroit.com)

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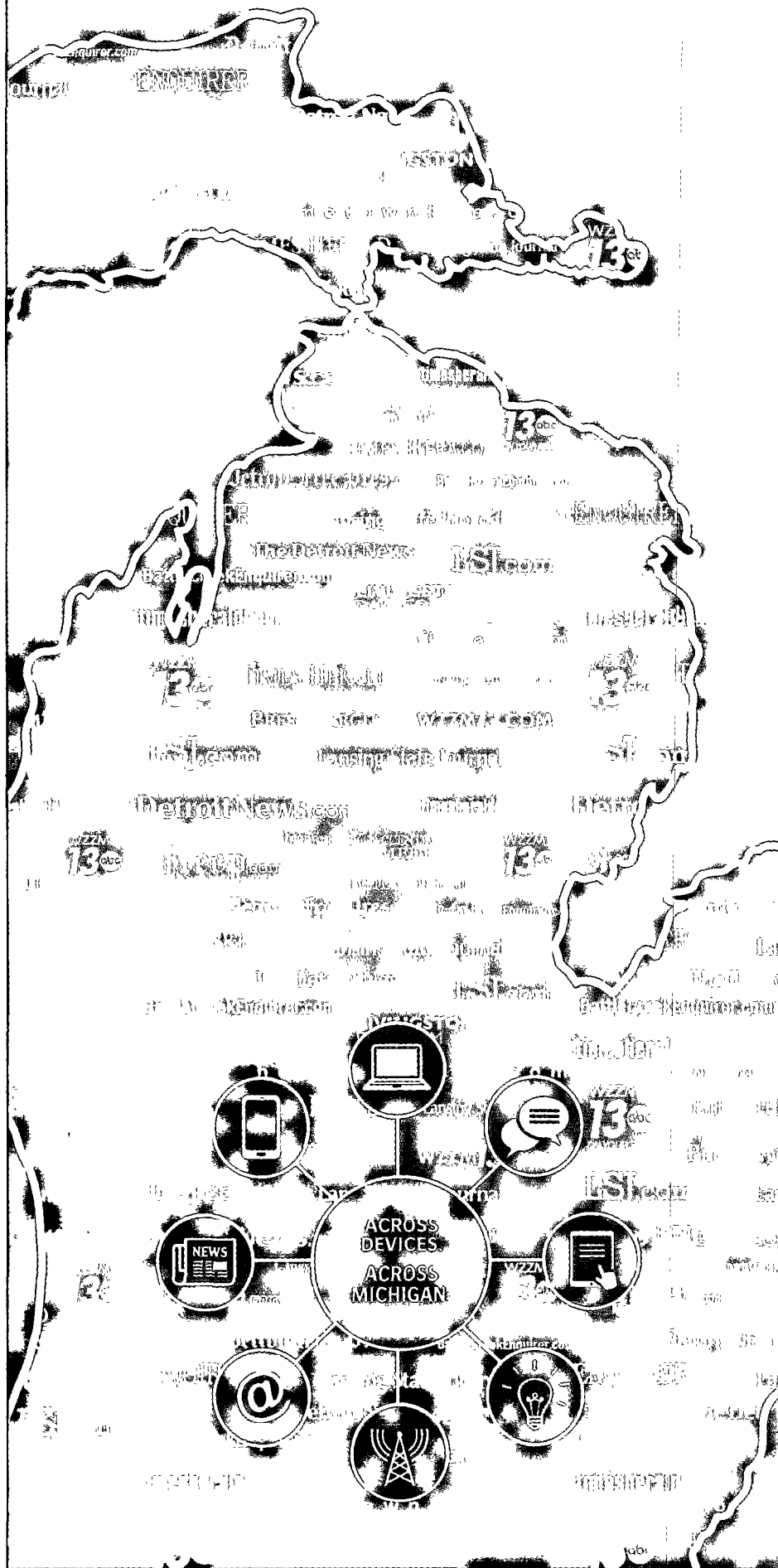
**Time/Date:** Dinner theater, 6:30 p.m. Oct. 25-26 and Nov. 1-2; show only, 8 p.m. Nov. 8-9

**Location:** 18600 Haggerty, Livonia

**Details:** "All My Sons," by Arthur Miller; dinner and show costs \$27; show only is \$15

**Contact:** 734-462-4596

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## BRING BACK BREAKFAST

Football practices, dance rehearsals, school work, and other weekday activities often make family mealtime seem like a thing of the past.

If you're looking for ways your family can spend more quality time together, consider bringing back breakfast this weekend.

Enjoying each other's company and a delicious breakfast is the perfect opportunity for your family to reconnect. Use the added time weekend mornings provide to prepare a wonderful, warm meal for your family to sit down and create lasting memories. Make your morning meal a weekend tradition the whole family can look forward to all week long.

Here are some easy tips to help make breakfast a family occasion:

**Make breakfast special** — Each week, ask a family member to choose a fun theme for the breakfast table. From sports teams to movie themes to favorite colors — you'll see that the choices are endless and they can inspire creative breakfast menus.

**Find some breakfast helpers** — Let the whole family practice their cooking skills by helping you in the kitchen. Serve foods that are easy to dress up.

**Create breakfast menu magic** — The sky is the limit when you have extra time to craft a hearty breakfast, so serve a variety of foods your family will love. You can't go wrong with breakfast classics — from fresh veggie and egg dishes to the warm, fluffy goodness of a stack of pancakes. Does your family enjoy creating breakfast masterpieces? Try these recipes for a magical take on an ordinary meal.

For more recipes and breakfast tips to bring families together on the weekends, visit [www.hungryjack.com](http://www.hungryjack.com).

### UPSIDE-DOWN BREAKFAST STACKS

Yield: 6 stacks  
Prep Time: 15 min  
Cook Time: 15 min

**Cooking spray**  
3 large eggs, lightly beaten  
6 fully cooked sausage patties or 6 vegetable sausage patties  
¾ cup Hungry Jack's Buttermilk Pancake & Waffle Mix  
½ cup water  
Shredded sharp cheddar or pepper jack cheese (optional)  
Pancake or maple syrup

Heat oven to 375°F. Coat 6 muffin cups or glass custard cups generously with no-stick cooking spray. Divide eggs evenly into prepared muffin cups. Top with sausage patty. Whisk pancake mix and water together in medium bowl until smooth. Pour evenly over sausage. Bake 14 to 16 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool 2 minutes. Invert onto baking sheet. Sprinkle immediately with cheese, if desired. Serve warm with syrup.

— Courtesy of Family Features

### BITE-SIZED DOUGHNUTS WITH BACON SUGAR

Yield: 3 dozen  
Prep Time: 20 minutes  
Cook Time: 10 minutes

**Ingredients:**  
¾ cup water  
¾ cup instant mashed potato flakes  
1 large egg yolk  
1 tablespoon vegetable oil, plus additional for frying  
1 tablespoon sugar  
½ teaspoon vanilla extract  
1 ½ cups plus 1 tablespoon Hungry Jack Complete Buttermilk Pancake & Waffle Mix (just add water)  
**Bacon sugar coating:**  
½ cup sugar  
4 fully cooked bacon slices, heated until crisp  
**Chocolate glaze (Optional):**  
¼ cup Hungry Jack Original Syrup  
1 ounce unsweetened baking chocolate, coarsely chopped  
½ cup powdered sugar

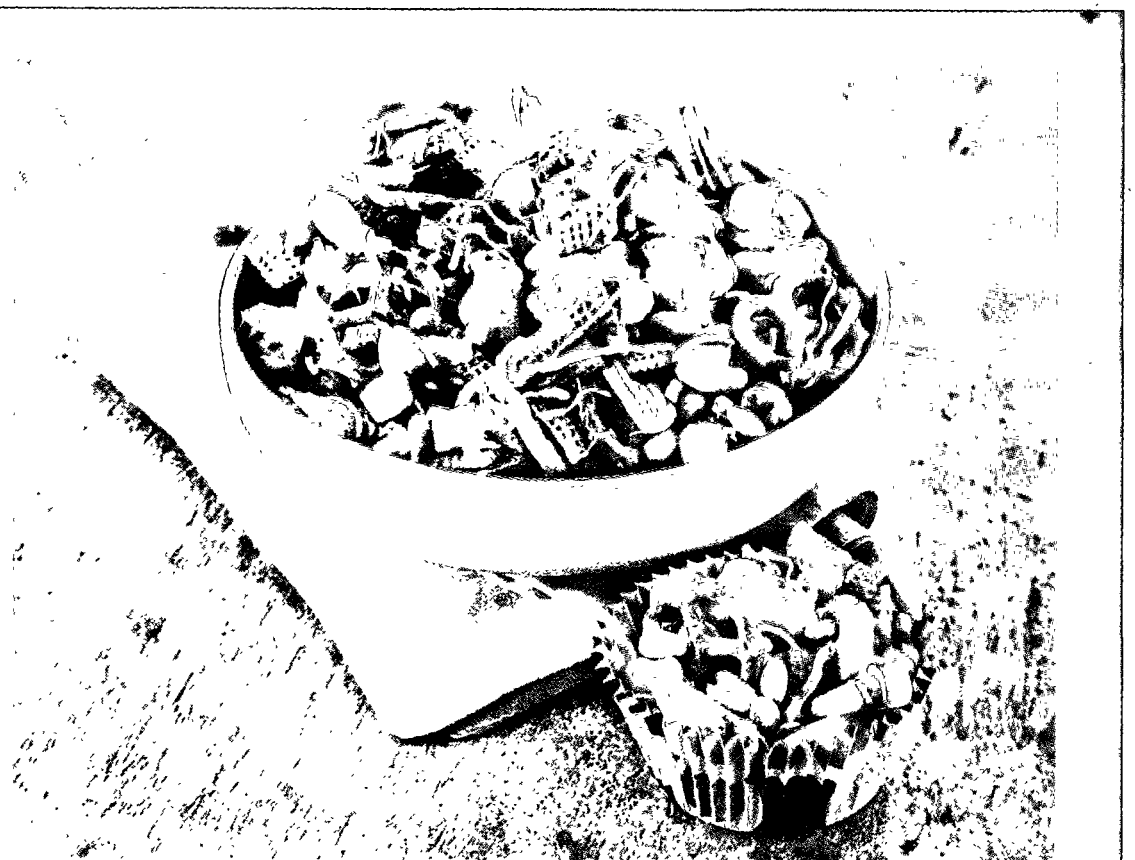
Combine water and instant potato flakes in large bowl. Stir until moistened. Add egg yolk, 1 tablespoon oil, sugar and vanilla; mix well. Gradually stir in 1 ½ cups pancake mix. Sprinkle work surface with remaining 1 tablespoon pancake mix. Turn dough out onto work surface. Knead dough until well blended, about 1 minute. Shape into a 4-inch disk. Wrap in plastic wrap and chill 1 hour or overnight.

For Bacon Sugar Coating: mince cooked bacon in food processor until very fine. Add sugar; pulse 2 to 3 seconds just until blended.

4. For Optional Chocolate Glaze: Place syrup and chocolate in small microwave-safe bowl. Microwave on high 30 to 45 seconds. Stir until mixture is smooth. Stir in powdered sugar. Gradually blend in coffee until desired consistency.

5. Pour oil into large heavy saucepan to 1-inch depth. Heat oil to 350°F.

6. Roll out dough to a ½-inch thickness on floured surface. Cut out small rounds using a 1 ½-inch round pastry cutter or cut into 1 ½-inch squares using a sharp knife. Working in batches, fry dough 30 to 60 seconds or until puffed and golden brown on all sides. Drain on paper towels. Roll in Bacon Sugar Coating or dip one side in Chocolate Glaze and then in Bacon Sugar Coating. Serve warm.



**H**alloween is the sweetest holiday of the year, making it a favorite for giddy children who dream of giant bags of candy. Before they rush out the door on Halloween night, make sure your kids and their fellow trick or treaters are filled up with something other than candy.

Serve your ghouls and goblins a sweet, salty and colorful snack with this recipe for Spooky Snack Mix. Made with peanuts, pretzels, marshmallows and chocolate chips, it's a perfect after-school snack.

Or for a tried-and-true kid favorite, serve them classic Pepperoni Pizza. It's the perfect dinnertime solution for busy families who crave the gooey, cheesy goodness of homemade pizza.

For more seasonal recipes and baking tips, visit [www.Karosyrup.com](http://www.Karosyrup.com) and [www.Breadworld.com](http://www.Breadworld.com).

— Courtesy of Family Features



### SPOOKY SNACK MIX

Makes: 18 cups  
Prep Time: 25 minutes  
Chill Time: 30 minutes

5 cups crispy corn cereal squares  
2 cups cinnamon-flavored bear-shaped graham crackers  
2 cups salted peanuts  
2 cups tiny twist pretzels  
1 cup sugar  
½ cup light corn syrup  
½ cup butter or margarine  
2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract  
¼ teaspoon yellow food coloring plus ¼ teaspoon red food coloring, or ½ teaspoon orange paste food coloring  
2 cups mini marshmallows  
2 cups small candies such as candy corn, candy coated chocolate pieces, etc.  
¼ cup white or semi-sweet chocolate chips  
2 teaspoons corn oil

Mix together cereal, crackers, peanuts and pretzels in large bowl sprayed with cooking spray.

Combine sugar, corn syrup and butter in saucepan over medium-high heat. Stirring frequently, bring to boil and cook for 1 minute. Remove from heat and add vanilla and food colorings (mixture will bubble). Drizzle glaze over snack mix and toss to coat. Gently stir in marshmallows and candy; immediately spread on baking sheet sprayed with cooking spray.

Melt chocolate chips and oil until smooth. Drizzle over snack mix and refrigerate for 30 minutes to set chocolate.

Store mix in air-tight container.

### PEPPERONI PIZZA

Makes: 1 (12-inch) pizza  
Prep Time: 15 minutes  
Bake Time: 12 to 15 minutes

**Crust:**  
1 ¼ to 2-¼ cups all-purpose flour  
1 envelope Fleischmann's Pizza Crust Yeast or RapidRise Yeast  
1 ½ teaspoons sugar  
¼ teaspoon salt  
¾ cup very warm water (120°F to 130°F)  
3 tablespoons corn oil  
**Toppings:**  
½ to 1 cup pizza sauce  
Pepperoni slices  
1 to 2 cups (4 to 8 ounces) shredded mozzarella cheese

Preheat oven to 425°F. Combine 1 cup flour, undissolved yeast, sugar and salt in large bowl. Add very warm water and oil; mix until well blended, about 1 minute.

Gradually add enough remaining flour to make soft dough. Dough should form a ball and will be slightly sticky. Knead on floured surface, adding additional flour if necessary, until smooth and elastic, about 4 minutes. (If using RapidRise Yeast, let dough rest at this point for 10 minutes.)

Pat dough with floured hands to fill greased pizza pan or baking sheet. Or, roll dough on floured counter to 12-inch circle; place in greased pizza pan or baking sheet. Form rim by pinching edge of dough. Spread with pizza sauce. Top with pepperoni and sprinkle with cheese.

Bake on lowest oven rack for 12 to 15 minutes, until cheese is bubbly and crust is browned.

Tip: If you don't have a thermometer, water should feel very warm to the touch.



## Plymouth's McCann tapped as state Realtor of the Year

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

The Michigan Association of Realtors has named Gordon McCann the 2013 Realtor of the Year. McCann is an associate broker at Coldwell Banker Weir Manuel of Plymouth.

The Realtor of the Year award is the highest award bestowed upon a member of the association. It is given for outstanding achievements serving the MAR, the real estate profession and the community.

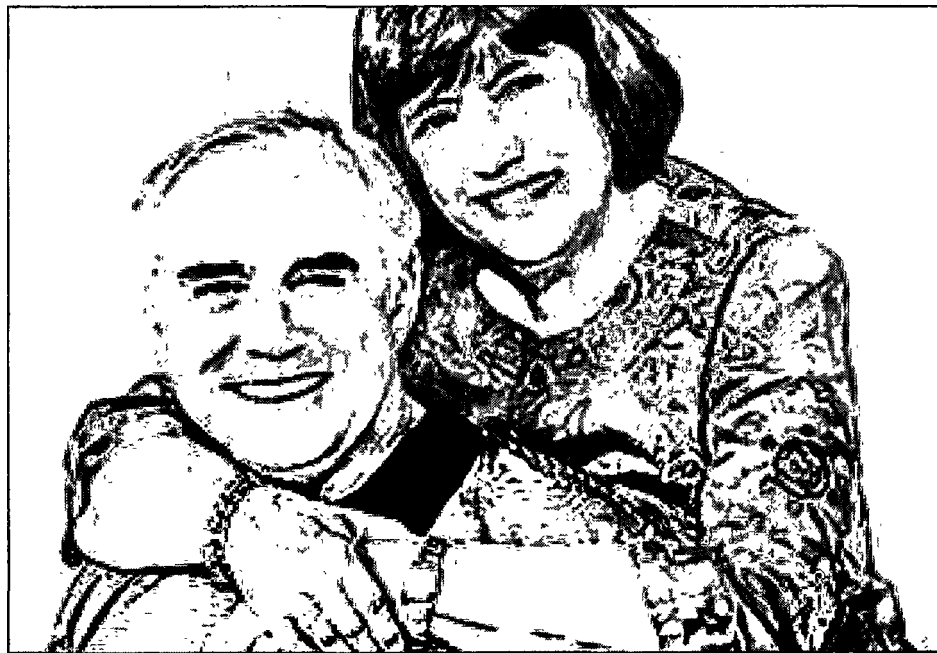
"I'm really honored to be chosen to receive the award," said Plymouth Township resident McCann. He noted the 40 winners from the local associations.

"We're very big advocates for property rights and homeownership. We're just dedicated Realtors," McCann said. "It's just a very humbling and rewarding honor to receive."

The award was presented Sept. 25 during the annual MAR Expo and Convention at the Soaring Eagle Casino and Resort in Mount Pleasant.

McCann is a veteran Realtor and has served Michigan's real estate industry in numerous elected and appointed positions. He was a director, treasurer, president-elect and president of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors, as well as numerous committees. McCann was also instrumental in the formation of the Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors by merging that association with the Metropolitan Consolidated Association of Realtors.

In addition, McCann was a National Association of Realtors director from 2007 to the present and a director in the Michigan Association of Realtors from 2009-12. He has been on committees in both organizations over the years.



Gordon and Sharon McCann of Plymouth Township enjoy their work together in real estate. He's this year's Realtor of the Year for the Michigan Association of Realtors.

McCann works at Coldwell Banker with wife Sharon, a Realtor, and is father of two grown children. "She's been doing it for 35 years," he said of Sharon's years in the field.

"I have had the good fortune of working with Gordon since September of 2005. I can attest to the countless hours that he has dedicated to our industry. Gordon's commitment to excellence and his passion to our industry are admirable," said Shawn Riley, managing broker at the Plymouth office of Coldwell Banker Weir Manuel, in a statement.

McCann is in his 19<sup>th</sup> year selling real estate after being involved with sales and marketing in the health care industry for 26 years. McCann holds a

B.S. in marketing from Ferris State University and an M.B.A. in marketing from Michigan State University's Eli Broad School of Management. He continues to sell real estate in the Plymouth area and enjoys golfing and competitive time-trials in his Corvette.

"I'm down to the lonely one," he said of his 2000 Corvette, currently his only classic car. "I used to own several before."

He and colleagues have seen the Plymouth-Canton-Northville market coming back gradually. "We all anticipate that next year will be better yet," McCann said of recent years improving.

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## Structural problem serious issue

Q: I have a serious structural problem with my unit and the association under the documents is responsible for taking care of it. The board says they don't have the money and has failed to make the repairs. They tell me that I should do it and be appreciative of the fact that I am a member of the association; what do you think? The developer has been gone for over 12 years.



Robert Meisner

A: I think that the board members have breached their fiduciary duty by failing to promptly repair structural problems particularly those that cause unit damage. The board might claim that they are exercising "business judgment," but if, in fact, they are not exercising due care, they cannot use the business judgment rule as a shield for their conduct. In a recent case out of Illinois, the appellate court did find that the Board of Directors had breached their fiduciary duty by failing to timely take care of structural defects. Indeed, any liability incurred because of the structural defects might not only be the association's responsibility but that of the careless directors subsequent to the developer being out of the picture.

Q: I live in a beautiful subdivision of detached condos, but in a recent notice of the upcoming meeting, we were informed that the board has decided that because a few of the exterior light fixtures on some of our neighbor's homes are peeling, they want to replace all the fixtures at each homeowner's expense. A vote will be taken on the matter at the annual meeting. What do you think?

A: It all depends upon your documents. Presumably, the board can make this modification if the documents so allow and pass the costs onto the individual co-owners. On the other hand, it depends upon whether the documents require a vote of the co-owners and sometimes associations request a vote even if it is not required by the documents, which may or may not be a good idea. Get your neighbors together and retain an attorney to check your rights.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of "Condo Living 2: An Authoritative Guide to Buying, Selling, and Operating a Condominium." It is available for \$24.95 plus \$5.55 for tax, shipping and handling. "Condo Living 2" is available in both print and e-book editions. The e-book is available for download through iTunes, Amazon.com, and barnesandnoble.com. Call 248-644-4433 or visit [bmeisner@meisner-law.com](mailto:bmeisner@meisner-law.com). This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of July 8-12, 2013, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

#### CANTON

7226 Camelia Ct	\$175,000
47875 Cardiff Ave	\$118,000
43836 Cherry Grove Ct E	\$154,000
44048 Cranberry Dr	\$200,000
46472 Doubletree Rd	\$225,000
8431 Elmhurst St	\$195,000
50944 Federal Blvd	\$78,000
45973 Graystone Ln	\$193,000
6929 Harvard Ln	\$35,000
2144 Hogan Way	\$210,000
1103 Longfellow Dr	\$196,000
2689 Mistwood Ct N	\$515,000
325 N Beck Rd	\$390,000
45657 S Stonewood Rd	\$146,000
42307 Old Bridge Rd	\$160,000
47614 Pavilion Rd	\$300,000
6069 Porteridge Ln	\$195,000
247 Queens Way	\$140,000
8250 Rolling Meadows Dr	\$450,000
172 Sheffield Ct	\$198,000

3750 Shepherd Ct	\$203,000
42285 Trent Dr	\$250,000
42158 Woodcreek Ln	\$290,000
6739 Woodmere Dr	\$252,000
<b>GARDEN CITY</b>	
7022 Burnly St	\$41,000
32234 Cherry Hill Rd	\$120,000
30406 Ford Rd	\$248,000
629 Lathers St	\$80,000
32924 Pierce St	\$70,000
341 W Rose Ave	\$49,000
<b>LIVONIA</b>	
30493 Barkley St	\$130,000
14441 Bassett St	\$148,000
32913 Bobrich Ct	\$210,000
33480 Bobrich St	\$205,000
32930 Brier Ct	\$262,000
32922 Brookside Cir	\$199,000
31755 Clarita St	\$195,000
36508 Dardanella St	\$155,000
15617 Edington St	\$260,000
14242 Foch St	\$134,000
11735 Hunters Park Ct	\$253,000
18334 Irving St	\$78,000
29509 Jacquelyn Dr	\$135,000
35699 Minton St	\$121,000
37728 N Laurel Park Dr	\$155,000
27621 Pickford St	\$119,000
14539 Ronnie Ln	\$135,000

38822 Sleepy Hollow St	\$160,000
29129 Sunnydale St	\$115,000
18148 Vacri Ln	\$223,000
<b>NORTHVILLE</b>	
16745 Carriage Way	\$144,000
45780 Clement Ct	\$359,000
19410 Clement Rd	\$340,000
16284 Country Knoll Dr	\$280,000
17690 Farmcrest Ln	\$360,000
17150 Lake View Cir	\$245,000
41373 Leidel Ct	\$115,000
16056 Morningside	\$150,000
16908 Niagara Ct	\$466,000
48834 Rainbow Ln N	\$360,000
15755 Robinwood Dr	\$335,000
42506 Steepleview St	\$339,000
41857 Sunnydale Ln	\$335,000
18740 Valencia St	\$352,000
20138 W Whipple Dr	\$320,000
42244 Waterfall Rd	\$220,000
430 Yerkes St	\$340,000
<b>PLYMOUTH</b>	
11140 Academy Ct	\$350,000
46380 Academy Dr	\$295,000
498 Ann St	\$190,000
1071 Beech St	\$316,000
713 Blunk St	\$480,000
8919 Briarwood Dr	\$170,000
46492 Burning Tree Ln	\$40,000

46534 Burning Tree Ln	\$40,000
14960 Dogwood Dr	\$236,000
40733 Five Mile Rd	\$160,000
499 N Evergreen St	\$480,000
303 N Holbrook St	\$175,000
40344 Newport Dr	\$80,000
48805 Pinehill Dr	\$363,000
42506 Schoolcraft Rd	\$155,000
11721 Sycamore Dr	\$92,000
<b>REDFORD</b>	
25907 Dover	\$66,000
19181 Glenmore	\$54,000
18684 Indian	\$19,000
26634 Kenneth Ct	\$61,000
14252 Marshall Dr	\$148,000
11416 Norborne	\$46,000
18261 Norborne	\$41,000
<b>WAYNE</b>	
5332 Newberry St	\$42,000
<b>WESTLAND</b>	
36255 Canyon Dr	\$110,000
6630 Deerhurst Dr	\$86,000
1267 Michael Dr	\$153,000
571 S Bryar St	\$85,000
1213 Shoemaker Dr	\$33,000
2390 W Miller Cir	\$125,000

### HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 17-21, 2013, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

#### BEVERLY HILLS

15964 Dunblaine Ave	\$295,000
31180 E Rutland St	\$160,000
31280 Pickwick Ln	\$370,000
32095 Spruce Ln	\$283,000
120 Turnberry Ct	\$555,000
<b>BIRMINGHAM</b>	
1665 Birmingham Blvd	\$410,000
639 Bloomfield Ct	\$303,000
671 Davis Ave	\$550,000
1195 Fairfax St	\$1,100,000
1738 Fairview St	\$970,000
1845 Hazel St	\$172,000
700 Hidden Ravines Dr	\$507,000
808 Madison St	\$423,000
535 N Glenhurst Dr	\$725,000
389 N Old Woodward Ave	\$295,000
1240 Norfolk St	\$420,000
1823 Pembroke Rd	\$682,000
1075 Suffield Ave	\$579,000
1951 Webster St	\$506,000
2761 Windemere Rd	\$208,000

#### BLOOMFIELD HILLS

3395 Eastpointe Ln	\$980,000
643 Kingsley Trl	\$320,000
4116 Pomona Colony St	\$269,000
569 Rudgate Rd	\$620,000
4565 Tanbark St	\$475,000
6386 Thorncrest Dr	\$305,000
1261 Woodcrest Cir	\$225,000
<b>BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP</b>	
195 Barrington Rd	\$135,000
2003 Bootmaker Ln	\$285,000
2719 Courville Dr	\$270,000
4805 Dover Rd	\$405,000
1025 E Glengarry Cir	\$1,470,000
1955 Eagle Pointe	\$188,000
7289 Glengrove Dr	\$245,000
4011 Hidden Woods Dr	\$430,000
2688 Lamplighter Ln	\$342,000
4910 Malibu Dr	\$530,000
1020 N Cranbrook Rd	\$1,200,000
1848 Packer Rd	\$195,000
4610 Pickering Rd	\$231,000

1505 Quarton Ridge Cir	\$865,000
598 Reynard Ct	\$529,000
1227 Romney Rd	\$299,000
236 S Cranbrook Rd	\$139,000
4774 Stoneleigh Rd	\$2,375,000
2280 Sudbury Way	\$485,000
1774 Sunset Dr	\$226,000
4113 Telegraph Rd # G-211	\$54,000
5060 Van Ness Dr	\$600,000
4049 W Maple Rd	\$50,000
<b>COMMERCE TOWNSHIP</b>	
6103 Birchcrest Ln	\$60,000
5076 Carinas Way Ct	\$280,000
5115 Carinas Way Ct	\$335,000
7988 Farrant St	\$165,000
3343 Ledgewood Ct W	\$423,000
5175 Parkgate Dr	\$50,000
5176 Parkgate Dr	\$50,000
721 Remington Ct	\$312,000
5340 Riverwalk Trl	\$250,000
200 Robin Rd	\$85,000
1025 Sherbrooke St	\$283,000
2436 Solace Dr	\$55,000
5053 Surfwood Dr	\$425,000
<b>FARMINGTON</b>	
36818 Brittany Hill Dr	\$135,000
35225 Drake Heights Dr	\$216,000
32718 Grand River Ave	\$40,000
<b>FARMINGTON HILLS</b>	
30114 Ardmore Dr	\$160,000
29196 Arlington Way Ct	\$305,000
23128 Ashley St	\$111,000
32741 Balmoral Knls	\$175,000
23372 Barfield St	\$105,000
29984 Barwell Rd	\$179,000
25814 Beecham Rd	\$195,000
31950 Bella Vista Dr	\$139,000
27845 Berrywood Ln	\$55,000
<b>FARMINGTON TOWNSHIP</b>	
27959 Brandywine Rd	\$195,000
34735 Bridgeman St	\$83,000
21228 Cass St	\$150,000
22706 Elmgrove St	\$110,000
21278 Flanders St	\$70,000
29883 Fox Club Dr	\$335,000
28519 Grayling Ave	\$121,000
26588 Greythorne Trl	\$205,000

30715 Hunters Dr	\$50,000
33714 Kirby St	\$152,000
23611 Larkshire St	\$120,000
28825 Lorikay St	\$180,000
30113 S Meadowridge	\$139,000
29983 Mullane Dr	\$230,000
30903 Northwestern Hwy	\$1,900,000
30794 Oak Valley Dr	\$230,000
32321 Old Forge Ln	\$221,000
33600 Old Timber Rd	\$309,000
32068 Olde Franklin Dr	\$230,000
23600 Paddock Dr	\$225,000
28318 Parkhill St	\$100,000
27870 Peppermill Rd	\$135,000
30113 S Meadowridge	\$183,000
38174 Saratoga Cir	\$163,000
21794 Sheffield Dr	\$345,000
59248 Bavernhaus Ct	\$212,000
36732 Tanglewood Ln	\$245,000
31070 Verona St	\$400,000
23013 Watt Dr	\$169,000
<b>FRANKLIN</b>	
30925 Franklin Oaks Trl	\$650,000
27231 W 14 Mile Rd	\$231,000
<b>MILFORD</b>	
269 Dorchester Ct	\$245,000
630 Elizabeth St	\$120,000
1208 Riverside St	\$265,000
3290 S Hickory Ridge Rd	\$50,000
1311 Yosemite Valley Dr	\$279,000
1328 Yosemite Valley Dr	\$292,000
<b>NORTHVILLE</b>	
47910 Bellagio Ct	\$1,275,000
51804 Curtis Ct	\$434,000
37688 E Greenwood Dr	\$260,000
47135 Grasmere Rd	\$212,000
22583 Poppleton Dr	\$413,000
1000 Saratoga Ct	\$129,000
<b>NOVI</b>	
31023 14 Mile Road	\$150,000
27566 Albert St	\$252,000
24528 Bashian Dr	\$72,000
41663 Blair Dr	\$102,000
24151 Brentwood Ct	\$430,000
41645 Charleston Ln	\$191,000
28351 Clymer Dr	\$84,000
28381 Clymer Dr	\$92,000
28388 Clymer Dr	\$88,000
31181 Columbia Dr	\$170,000
51140 E Bourne Ter	\$291,000
22649 Foxmoor Dr	\$368,000

25726 Groveland	\$390,000
51124 Hallfield St	\$285,000
23084 Heatherbrae Way	\$250,000
23210 Inverness Ct	\$565,000
41675 Magnolia Ct	\$185,000
27053 Maxwell Ct	\$237,000
51206 Mayfair Ter	\$270,000
22715 Meadowbrook Rd	\$230,000
27980 Middleton Dr	\$181,000
41829 Mitchell Rd	\$167,000
25038 Newberry Dr	\$227,000
40646 Rock Hill St	\$148,000
24593 Simmons Dr	\$234,000
41513 Twain Pl	\$297,000
39803 Village Wood Ln	\$73,000
22566 Winfield Rd	\$192,000
<b>SOUTH LYON</b>	
59248 Bavernhaus Ct	\$75,000
23664 Copperwood Dr E	\$422,000
51924 Copperwood Dr N	\$375,000
649 Covington St	\$103,000
831 Glen Meadows Dr	\$310,000
54895 Glenwood Ct	\$361,000
300 Hampton Ct	\$80,000
607 Lyon Blvd	\$121,000
23882 Lyon Ridge Dr	\$333,000
508 N Reese St	\$145,000
466 Princeton Dr	\$60,000
157 University Ave	\$125,000
<b>SOUTHFIELD</b>	
17030 Crescent Dr	\$70,000
28770 Fairfax St	\$57,000
29293 Fairfax St	\$33,000
27403 Lexington Pkwy	\$62,000
20281 Roseland St	\$120,000
28950 San Carlos St	\$132,000
25430 Southfield Rd # A203	\$45,000
28686 Spring Arbor Dr	\$60,000
28570 Stuart Ave	\$88,000
29329 Wildbrook Dr	\$126,000
30280 Woodgate Dr	\$75,000
<b>WHITE LAKE</b>	
965 Merit St	\$270,000
505 N Ponchartrain St	\$342,000
699 W Oxhill Dr	\$125,000
1347 Waverly Dr	\$170,000

### REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

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If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures. Many sellers are misinformed or not sure about how the procedures work. Organizers will also discuss the internal workings of short sales and the different steps involved.

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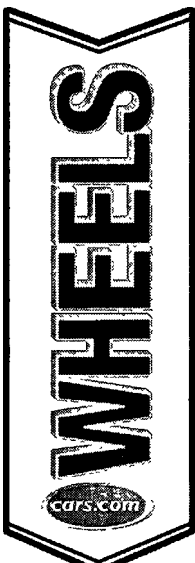
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4 cyl., auto, sunroof, 4 door sedan. \$5,988.

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# Challenging fun for ALL ages

# Thursday PUZZLE CORNER

## CROSSWORD PUZZLER

**ACROSS**

1 Fuse together  
5 Above  
9 Menacing sound  
12 Joke response (hyph.)  
13 Bluish-green  
14 Tigger's friend  
15 Vaccine type  
16 A.D. 79 spewer  
18 Min. segments  
20 Back to the salt —  
21 Overflowing  
23 Chicken style  
25 Puget Sound st.  
26 Nights, in classifieds  
28 "Terrible" czar  
32 Sufficient, in verse  
35 Diminish slowly  
36 Risk it  
37 Hockey feint  
38 Pack of hoodlums  
40 Oz aunt

**DOWN**

1 Sci-fi doctor  
2 Teacup handle  
3 Dalai Lama's city  
4 Broad valleys  
5 Off-road wheels  
6 Golfer's prop  
7 W. Hemisphere group  
8 Old-fashioned pen

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

ESC	SASH	UTIL
GOO	TRIO	HOLT
ALTRUISM	HELD	
DESIRE	BYU	
ADS	REHABS	
BATTY	NET	KOA
LIRA	BUS	TIDY
ODE	YEN	CINES
CAESAR	JAB	
APR	UNEVEN	
OMEN	IRRITATE	
BALD	ETON	INS
IDLY	SERE	LAT

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12									14	
15										
		18	19							
21	22					23	24			
25				26	27			28	29	30
32		33	34					36		
37										40
				41	42			43	44	45
46	47	48						49		
50					51	52			53	54
56					57				58	
59					60					61

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## SUDOKU

	1		5		2	3		
9				4	8			
	5				1		2	
					5	7		3
2							4	6
	8	7						2
6	9	1		8				
						4	1	
5				6				

Level: Intermediate

**Here's How It Works:**  
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

## DENTAL VISIT WORD SEARCH

**WORDS**

ABFRACTION  
ABSCESS  
ADA  
AMALGAM  
BITEWINGS  
BLEACHING  
BONDING  
BRIDGE  
BRUXISM  
CALCULUS  
CEMENTATION  
CLEFT  
COMPOSITE  
CRANIOFACIAL  
CROWN  
CURETTAGE  
CYST  
DEBRIDEMENT

ENTURE  
ENAMEL  
FISTULA  
FLUORIDE  
FOUNDATION  
GINGIVITIS  
GUMS  
IMPACTION  
IMPRESSION  
INLAY  
JAW  
MALOCCLUSION  
MANDIBLE  
NOVOCAINE  
PROPHYLAXIS  
SCALING  
XEROSTOMIA

**CHECK YOUR ANSWERS HERE**

**Sudoku**

7	6	2	3	6	1	8	5	4
8	9	1	4	5	6	2	7	3
4	3	5	7	8	1	2	6	9
2	4	6	9	8	7	3	5	1
9	4	5	7	1	8	2	6	3
3	1	7	5	2	8	6	9	4
6	2	9	1	7	3	4	5	8
1	7	5	4	8	6	9	2	3
4	3	8	4	2	6	5	9	7

**Word Search**

G	H	I	D	N	O	B	C	O	M	P	O	S	I	T	E	P	O	W	X	
A	G	N	I	L	A	C	S	E	D	I	R	O	U	L	F	J	J	T	E	
I	G	N	A	U	R	H	S	N	B	R	I	D	G	E	B	S	M	R		
S	T	S	Y	C	C	O	S	I	N	O	G	L	X	Y	I	M	A	H	O	
I	L	W	A	T	R	W	Y	A	L	N	I	Y	E	S	U	G	W	C	S	
T	P	H	D	B	A	N	C	H	I	E	W	T	I	G	L	R	N	X	T	
I	V	D	N	J	F	L	S	H	E	S	L	X	A	A	P	O	I	D	O	
V	N	E	W	V	E	R	C	A	S	G	A	B	M	T	I	P	B	W	M	
I	M	B	U	F	J	A	A	E	P	L	A	A	I	T	N	J	F	N	I	
G	A	R	T	H	E	S	C	Y	I	F	T	C	D	N	E	O	H	A		
N	L	I	F	L	S	S	U	H	T	O	O	A	T	O	N	V	M	B	R	
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M	C	M	H	B	R	T	D	U	I	C	E	N	A	T	O	Y	U	E	G	L
M	L	E	T	P	H	A	U	P	R	N	L	I	V	O	U	J	C	E	Y	
Y	U	N	F	S	T	A	W	L	T	B	N	A	L	N	A	M	Y	M	W	
F	S	T	I	D	C	E	U	A	E	B	H	C	W	G	W	Y	C	T		
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M	O	N	N	Y	H	E	L	A	I	C	A	F	O	I	N	A	R	C	M	
E	N	A	M	E	L	I	M	P	R	E	S	S	I	O	N	O	A			



# MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

NATIONAL DAY OF DOING GOOD

## Saturday, Oct. 26



## See how YOU can make a difference

Join Observer & Eccentric Media, in support of Make A Difference Day - the largest day of volunteering in the USA. For more than 20 years, Gannett Inc. has mobilized millions across the country for this national day of doing good. As part of our commitment to the communities we serve, Observer & Eccentric Media is partnering with your local Goodfellows in the

**"Pennies from Heaven"** project. Several area Goodfellows have joined the project as part of their commitment to ensuring every child has a Christmas.



## Our Goal is to collect one million pennies

Bring your pennies to the following locations on Saturday, Oct. 26th.

**Canton:**  
10 a.m. - Noon  
Canton's Summit on the Park  
Community Center  
46000 Summit Pkwy.

**Livonia:**  
10 a.m. - Noon  
Civic Senior Center Lobby  
15218 Farmington Rd.

**Novi:**  
10 a.m. - Noon  
Fire Station #1  
42975 Grand River Ave.

**Redford:**  
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
The Marquee - 5145 Beech Daly Rd.  
(at the SW corner of Five Mile Rd. and  
Beech Daly behind the Township Hall)

**Garden City:**  
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Garden City High School  
6500 Middlebelt Rd.

**Milford:**  
10 a.m. - Noon  
Milford Fire Department  
325 W. Huron St.

**Plymouth:**  
9 a.m. - Noon  
Farmers Market - In front  
of Penn Theatre  
760 Penniman Ave.

**Southfield:**  
12 p.m. - 2 p.m.  
21477 Bridge St., Ste E  
(off of the north side of 8 Mile  
/ west of Telegraph Rd.)



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